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## ALL-NIGHT VIGIL IN DOWNING-ST.

Henlein's Grave Decision Brings  
Europe To Brink Of War

**Peace Or Disaster May Be  
Decided In Next Few  
Hours: Eyes On Germany**

LONDON, TO-DAY.

EUROPE IS ON THE BRINK OF WAR, WITH THE FATEFUL DECISION DEPENDENT LARGELY UPON DEVELOPMENTS IN THE NEXT FEW HOURS.

London, which had little sleep last night, is watching Germany anxiously for signs of the line which will be taken in the face of what is very near to a state of civil war in the Sudeten German districts in Czechoslovakia.

British anxiety was reflected in the fact that an all-night vigil was kept up by groups of people in Downing Street, and standing on the pavements in Whitehall outside Government offices.

In the early hours of this morning, following long talks between Ministers, they saw the lights in the window of No. 10 go out one by one, but still they stood waiting and watching and speculating.

The early editions of the morning papers were eagerly bought while the crisis in Czechoslovakia was the sole topic of conversation in the all-night restaurants.

M. Jean Masaryk, the Czech Minister in London, in an interview with Reuter, said that the news of Henlein's decision to break off negotiations with the Prague Government, was telephoned to him by the Prime Minister, Dr. Hodza, himself.

### BREACH COMPLETE?

Dr. Hodza expressed the view that the British public should be informed of the latest development as rapidly as possible.

M. Masaryk said that they could not say whether it meant breaking off all negotiations, but he certainly got the impression that Dr. Hodza regarded the whole negotiations as having been broken off.

### NO PRECAUTION CAN BE NEGLECTED

Events in Czechoslovakia have worsened in outlook, declares the "Daily Telegraph," which adds that in such a crisis as this development, governments can

neglect no precaution and are bound to make preparations for every eventuality.

Nothing is more difficult to foresee than in what manner and at what hour, vital decisions may be forced on the Government or when it may be necessary to defend the country.

Everybody, including members of the Government, will continue to hope for a peaceful settlement of the present situation but the decision that may swing the balance to conciliation or force, is in other hands.

Were there an endeavour to resort to violence in Czechoslovakia, the consequences would be immeasurable and against them every precaution must be taken.

### TESTING GROUND

The "Times" in an editorial, decries the "Prague" after Nuremberg, has again become the testing

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Whole Of  
**GERMANY SAYS  
ONE QUESTION,  
ONE ANSWER**

Berlin, To-day.

Sudeten Germans cannot and will not continue the bartering with Prague, inaugurated by President Benes and Dr. Hodza, declares to-day's issue of the "National Zeitung."

The paper adds that they (the Sudetens) demand the right of self-determination, and this demand, which alone can be the subject of a new meeting between the responsible men of Czechoslovakia and the Sudeten Germans, permits no evasion. There can only be one clear answer, which is "yes" or "no."

Does someone want to take up the sword to-day in order to refuse their rights to three and a half million people?

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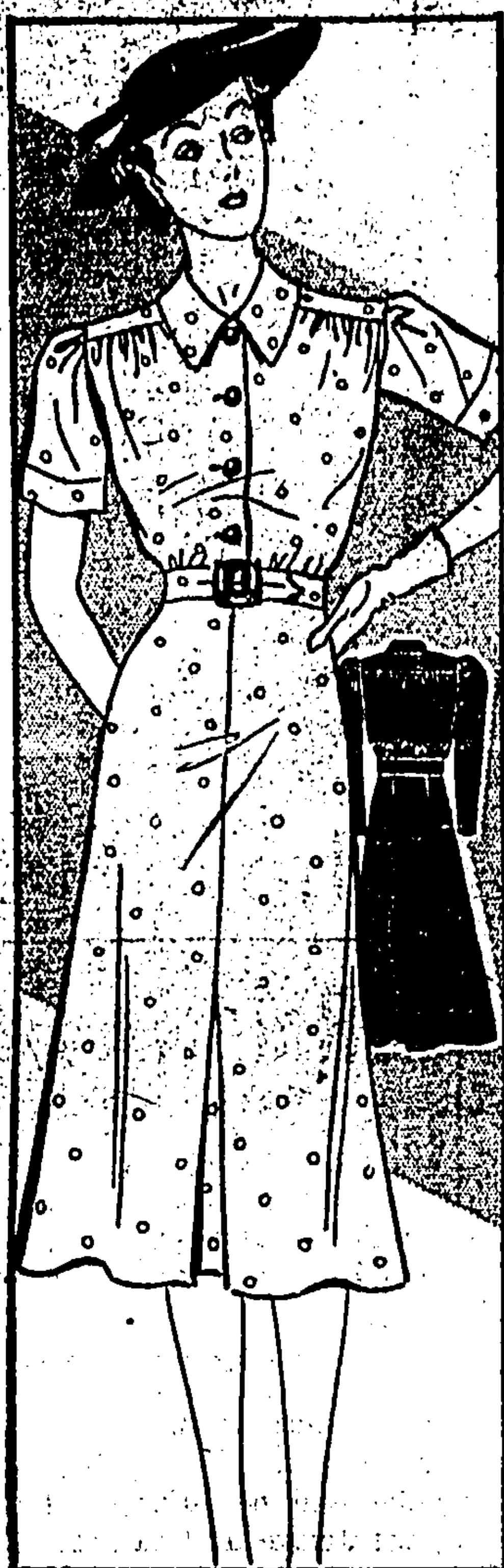
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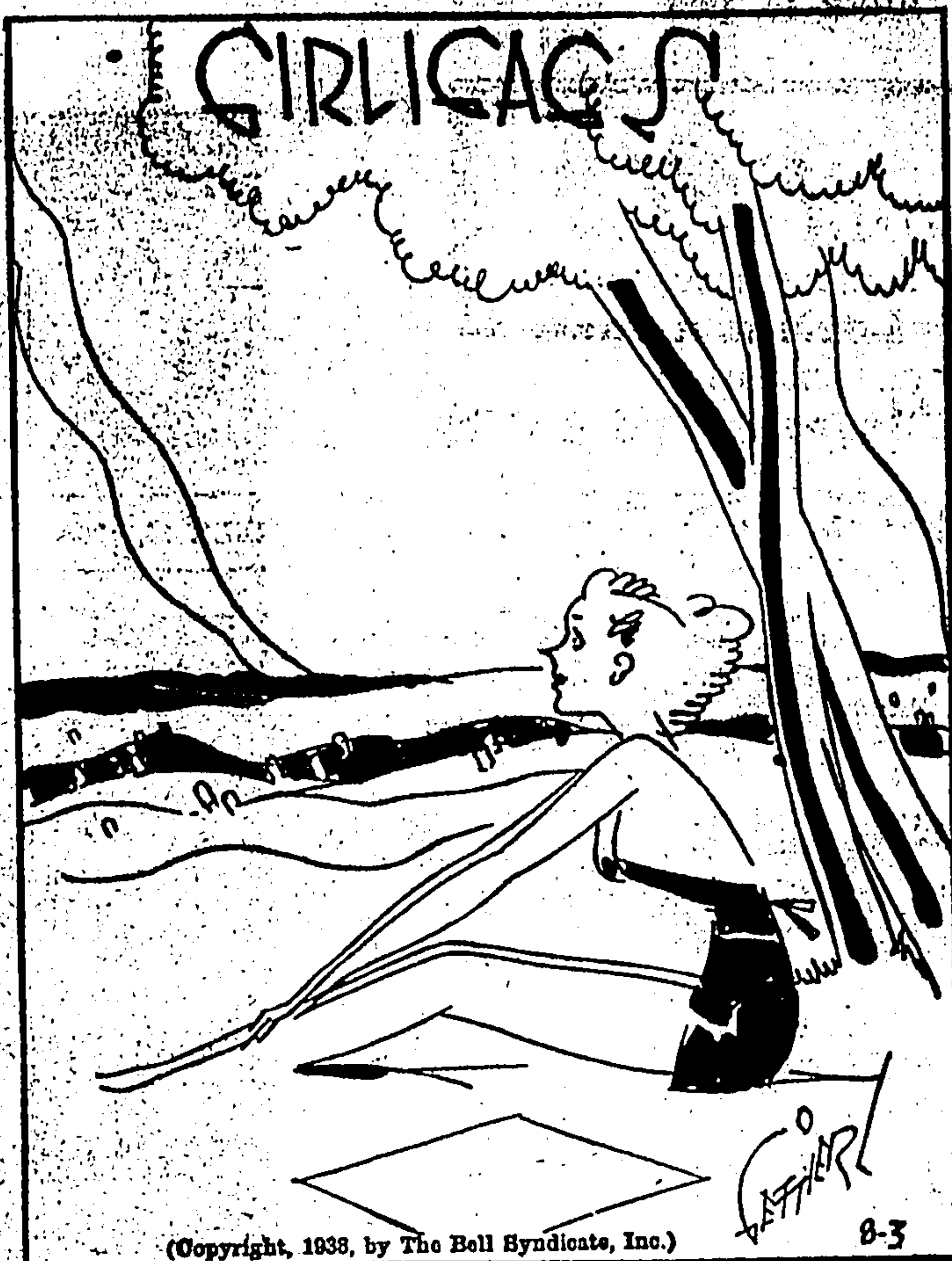




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"Times do change," says ageing Elise, "for back in the gay Nineties the bathers carried soap into the water with them."

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To London has come the "Razor-Cut"—the new style permanent wave... that is really permanent. And it has come not from some

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Setting the "razor cut."

famed fashion centre, but from the provinces.

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Yesterday a hairdresser who had watched a demonstration of the new system in London told me how it is done.

"Everything is in the cutting," she said.

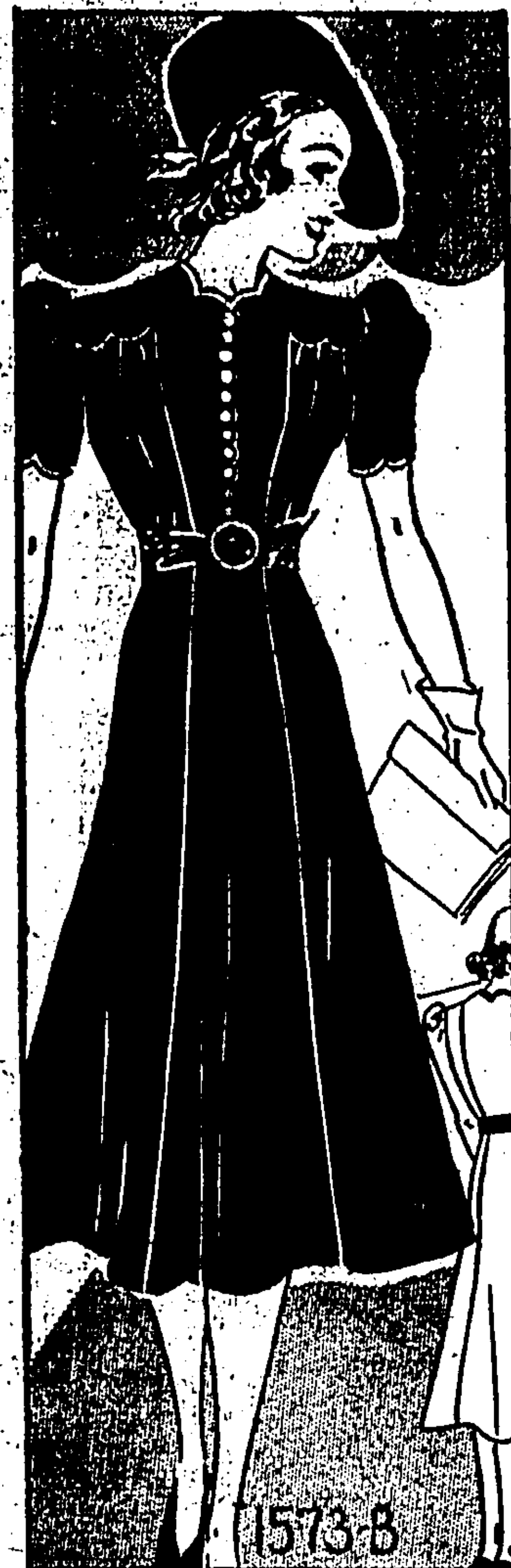
"The hair is sliced and tapered with an ordinary cut-throat razor. The blade is held sideways so the hair is thinned down until the ends taper away to nothing."

"This goes on all over the head until the hair is quite short."

"It is cut in layers one underneath the other, and then pressed into waves with a little water."

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### Modern Mothers Never Take Back Seat

Women who can pride themselves on being modern mothers never find it necessary to take a back seat even though their daughters may be extremely beautiful and talented.

When mothers complain to me that their daughters push them in the background (whether it be in the home or out socially) I take time to write them a long personal letter to help them out of their difficulties. I do, even though perhaps I shouldn't, ask them rather pointed questions—"How did you bring up your daughter?" "What

happened to you while she was growing into an adult?" "Do you keep yourself up in appearance?" "Are you a woman your daughter and husband are proud to exhibit?"

Those are poignant questions. It takes steady nerves for most complaining mothers to answer.

Let us assume that during the time when daughter was growing up, mother had no easy time of it. She had a lot of work to do and money was scarce. She sacrificed a great deal to give daughter nice clothes, a good schooling, and a healthy life. All right. Her mother love dictated. She enjoyed doing that.

Of course she hoped, and rightfully expected, that when daughter did grow up she would be grateful for this loving care. Perhaps daughter, during her difficult teens is, or was not, grateful. Perhaps she had been thoroughly spoiled. Perhaps for years she expected mother to do all she did do because mother never took the trouble to train daughter to be grateful. All that happens.

What mother failed to do was this. She neglected herself in order to shower daughter with much—much she didn't need. When daughter was at the going out age, she saw other mothers who were attractive, who could speak on current topics and books, who were more or less companionable to their own daughters. By comparison her mother fell short. Didn't she? Yes, the doting mother failed to keep modern. Her offspring outshines her.

#### Easy Solution

What these disappointed mothers should do, now that their daughters have grown, is to spend much more time thinking about themselves! Buy some new clothes, get a new hair-do and a few beauty treatments—if the budget will stand for them by crossing out daughter's ordinary provisions! Those will restore self-respect.

To restore self-assurance get active in something—preferably local, which will bring you out of the home into social activity. Read

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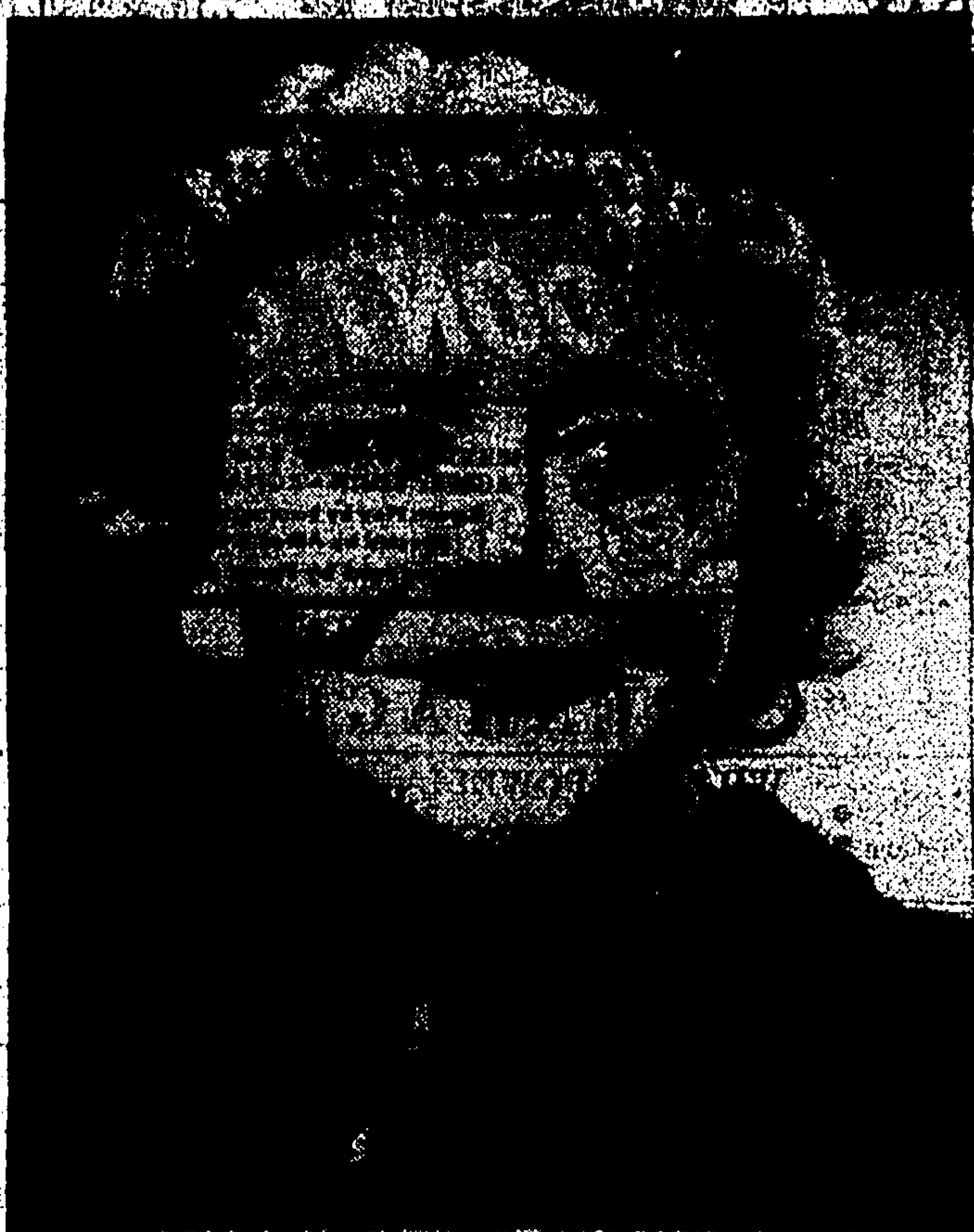
Here's the type of frock in which every little lady looks her best! It adapts the pictorial charm of Kate Greenaway, puff sleeves, short waist, and very full skirt to the preferences of modern small misses! The square neckline and trimming bands are just as new as the first day at school or kindergarten, and as smart as teacher herself! It buttons down the front, too, so that even very young wearers can get into it alone.

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books, magazines, go to movies. Develop a personality—because you have drowned yours in your daughter's. Don't blame her. She is young and youth is ruthless!

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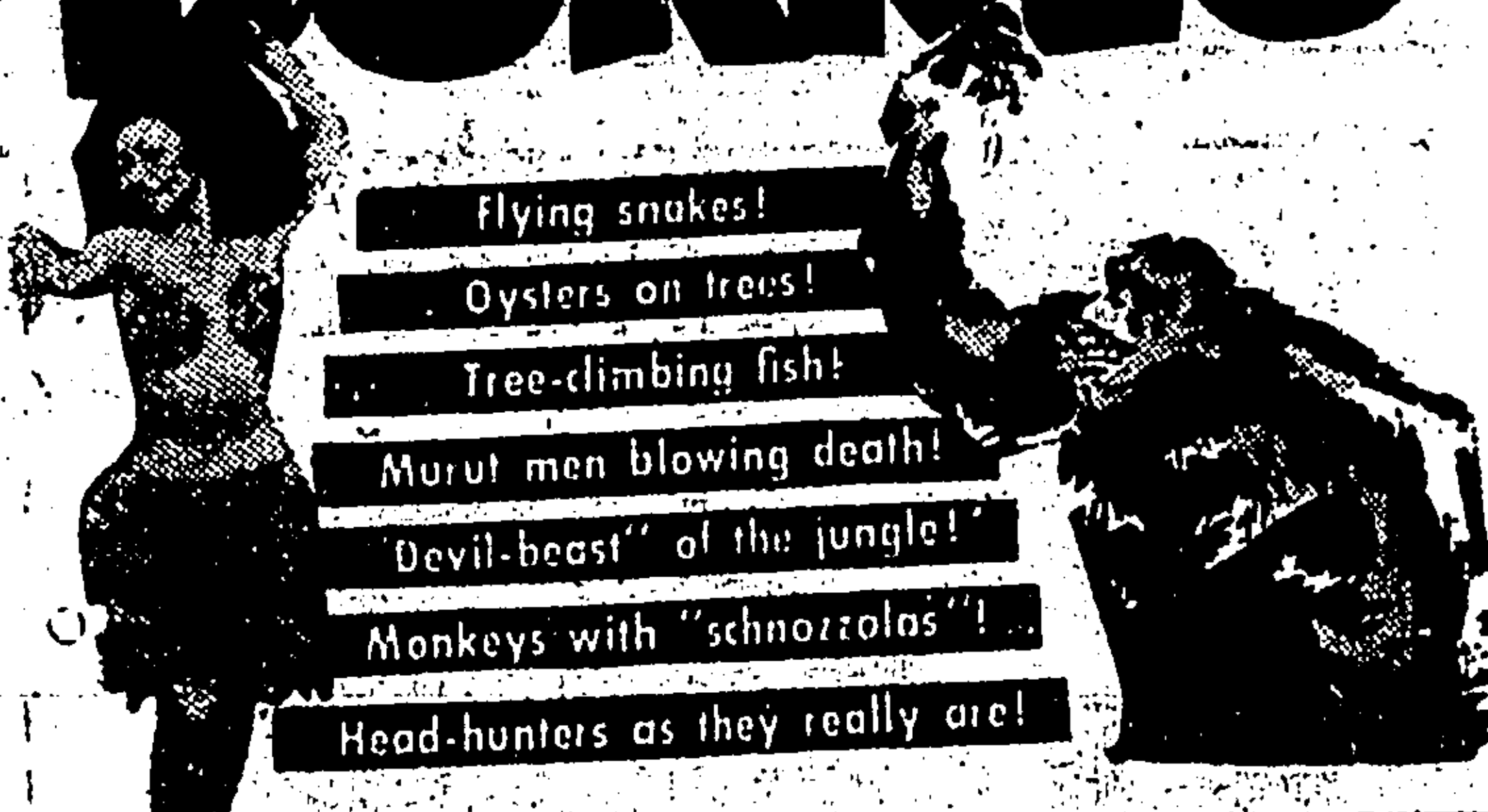
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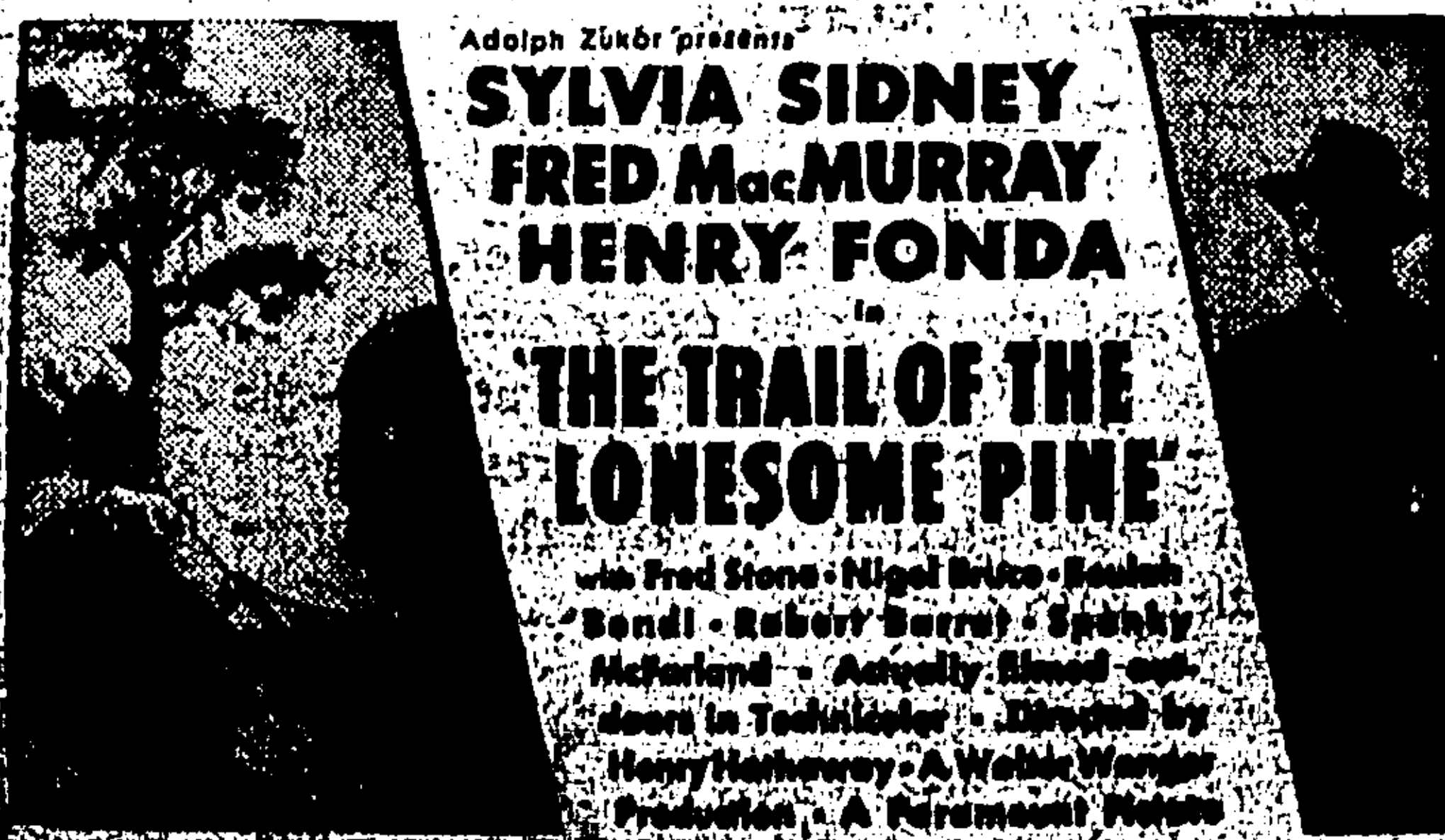
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# Grave Clashes In Sudeten Areas

Prague, To-day.

Twelve persons have lost their lives since Monday night, including four gendarmes, according to a report by the Czech press bureau.

It is revealed that apart from incidents reported earlier, serious clashes occurred in Habersbirk near Eger, where three gendarmes were killed and one dangerously wounded. Up to the time of cabling, the toll of victims had risen to sixteen, namely nine Sudetens, four Czech Gendarmes, one Czech civilian and one Slovak.

The clashes in Habersbirk continued throughout the whole day. Two persons were killed in the morning and two in the afternoon. Many were injured, seven of them when disturbances were revived in the evening.

In Eger, another Sudeten was killed during the afternoon. Grave clashes are also reported from Ronsberg, where one Sudeten was shot and killed by a gendarme. It is feared that there has been further loss of life in this region. Telephonic communication is interrupted.

### MANY INCIDENTS

According to the Czech news agency, many telephone lines near Karlsbad have been destroyed. All schools are closed, and most business people closed their shops and businesses.

In Plan, near Marienbad, demonstrators smashed the windows of the local police station.

In Warnsdorf, a crowd of 6,000 demanded the pulling down of the frontier posts.

In Puerstein, members of the Sudeten Party occupied the railway station and hoisted the Swastika flag. Later, gendarmes appeared and took possession of the station. —Trans-Ocean.

### POLICE FIRE ON CROWD

Berlin, To-day.

Three Sudeten Germans were killed and many seriously injured at Habersbirk and Falkenah when Czech police fired on the crowd, according to a German Newsagency message, which also reports that 120 Germans near Waldmuenster escaped into German territory.

It is reported that no German in the Haselbach neighbourhood is safe.

### EGER TENSION

A German Newsagency report from Eger states that the situation there continues tense and the population is afraid to go out into the streets.

The report also mentions incidents at Haselbach where it is stated that customs officials fired on

a car containing Sudeten Germans, killing one, while at Graslitz a clash occurred between Sudeten German workmen and Czech customs house officials.

It is stated that gendarmes were called to the aid of the Customs officials and fired on the Sudeten workmen, several of whom were injured. One Czech customs official was killed. —Reuter.

### ARMoured CAR OPENS FIRE

Prague, To-day.

It is now learnt in connection with the incidents in Tachau following a Sudeten German demonstration in favour of self-determination that fire was opened on the crowd from an armoured car.

Franz Zwireschka, a Sudeten German, was killed, and four Sudetens seriously and two slightly wounded.

Josef Bar, a Sudeten German, was shot dead by gendarmes on the road running from Wassersuppen to Reinehmuehle.

At Puerstein, Rudolf Klein, a Sudeten German, was likewise shot dead in a crowd which was demonstrating.

Big demonstrations of the Sudeten Germans demanding a plebiscite and shouting in chorus, "One people, One Reich, One Fuehrer" and "We Want to return home to the Reich," were held in Troppau, Fulnek, Odra and Neubentschen.

An unconfirmed report says that a Sudeten German named Feistl was shot dead at Chodau, near Karlsbad. Another report reaching here speaks about machine guns having being placed in the town of Weipert. —Trans-Ocean.

### SEVERAL DEATHS

Prague, To-day.

Serious disorders resulting in several deaths occurred in Falkenau and Bohemian Krummau, according to unconfirmed reports. It is stated that Sudeten Germans clashed with State Police. —Trans-Ocean.

# SUDETENS CROSS BORDER

Berlin, To-day.

The German News Agency reports from Hof, in Bavaria, that 120 Sudeten Germans, have crossed the border near Waldmuenchen into Germany.

According to their own reports, it is no longer safe for any German to live in Haselbach and the surrounding district. They say that groups of the State People are entrenched in fields along the road and are without warning at anyone who ventures to leave his abode.

Cows have had to be left un milked in the fields.

Frontier guards have forced their way into many houses being wildly terrorizing the inhabitants with shouts that the time for the destruction of Germanism in Bohemia will be arrived. The terrified inhabitants have fled. —Trans-Ocean.

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# WAR NEARER THAN AT ANY TIME SINCE 1914 IN OPINION OF FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

There was last night a feeling that the danger of war was nearer than at any time since 1914. A certain amount of relief created by Hitler's speech was dispelled by the developments. The Sudeten ultimatum has caused a deep impression. It is considered that it would be a definite derogation of sovereignty for Czecho-Slovakia to agree to the demand for a plebiscite or to accede to the ultimatum. It is also thought that the Sudetens would not take such a decision without Hitler's approval.

It is taken for granted that France will stand by the Prague Government.

It is felt that the one source of hope is that if Lord Runciman can be given the full support of the British Government, he might be able to effect a last moment compromise between the opposing forces.

The Government has decided for the present to prohibit all public meetings and demonstrations in connection with the international situation.—Reuter.

## PREMIER DECIDES NOT TO CALL PARLIAMENT

London, To-day.

Sir Archibald Sinclair, leader of liberal opposition called on the Prime Minister yesterday morning.

The Prime Minister has also replied to Mr. Attlee's communication requesting the immediate summoning of Parliament in view of the international situation.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain intimates that the Government feel that it would not be opportune to call Parliament together at present, but adds, "I will not fail to bear the request in mind should circumstances arise which in the judgment of my colleagues and myself might render it desirable to recall Parliament before due date.—British Wireless.

## LORD RUNCIMAN STILL KEEPING UP CONTACT

It is understood that the French Government has been informed that Lord Runciman continues contact with the Prague Government.

## OPPOSITION LEADERS VISIT DOWNING STREET

London, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain received yesterday the leaders of the two opposition parties, Major Attlee and Sir Archibald Sinclair, with whom the Premier discussed Hitler's speech.

It is stated that the speech was further examined in the afternoon at a meeting between Mr. Chamberlain, Lord Halifax, Sir John Simon and Sir Samuel Hoare.

A Cabinet council is expected to be held to-day.—Trans-Ocean.

## SIR ERIC PHIPPS SEES DALADIER

Paris, To-day.

The British Ambassador, Sir Eric Phipps, made a hurried call on the French War Ministry late last night, running up the steps to the office occupied by M. Daladier, but declined to make any statement to the press for the reason of his hurried visit.

Quai d'Orsay circles believe the situation to be highly critical and news reports broadcast only served to increase the tension that has been growing since the Fuehrer's speech.—Trans-Ocean.

## CROWDS IN DOWNING STREET

London, To-day.

Crowds again assembled last night in the vicinity of Downing Street, which was kept clear by the police.

At 9 o'clock, Lord Halifax and Sir John Simon were still at Number 10, Downing Street, left about 10.15 by Mr. Robert Robinson, Chief Diplomatic Adviser.—British Wireless.

## WHAT LLOYDS THINK

London, To-day.

It is understood that Lloyd's will next week be considering a proposal to discuss the war with the other.—Reuter.

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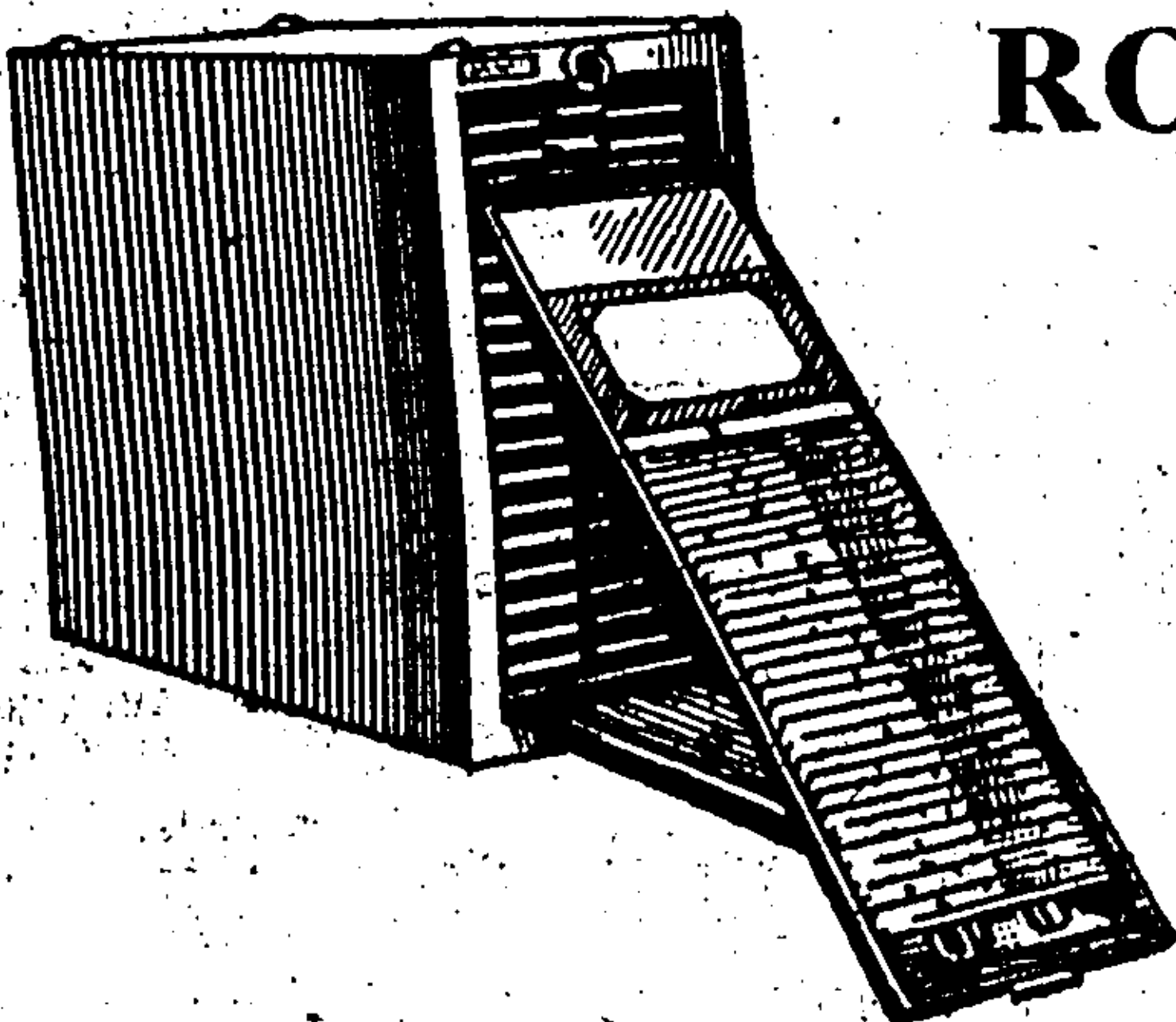
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## MAJOR SUTTON PRATT NEARLY SHOT IN EGER

Prague, To-day.

Major Sutton Pratt, an observer attached to the  
British Legation, narrowly escaped a shooting  
when he visited the Sudeten region.

He arrived at Eger while armoured cars were firing  
in the streets. He waved his card to the officer  
in charge whereupon the officer fired at him  
point blank but missed.

Major Sutton Pratt thereupon  
went to police headquarters and  
procured a policeman with whom he  
approached the same car and ex-  
plained to the officer that the firing  
must cease immediately. His or-  
ders were then obeyed.—Reuter.

### GENDARMES SHOT DEAD BY GERMANS

There was another serious inci-  
dent at Falkenau where three gen-  
darmes were killed by shots fired  
by Sudeten Germans.

It is reported that the Karlsbad  
roads are blocked by heavy traffic  
caused by the exodus of Jewish  
Czech refugees.

The German population at Karls-  
bad are wearing the swastika and  
greeting each other with "Hell Hit-  
ler."

A number of telephones connect-  
ing the capital with the interior  
have been cut.—Reuter.

## GERMAN VIEW IN INCIDENT

Berlin, To-day.

The Press has sharply reacted  
in respect to the Czech disturb-  
ances of last night.

The "Angriff" says that the  
same hour the Fuehrer was deli-  
vering his warning to the Prague  
Government, the Czechs had al-  
ready decided to cross the Rubi-  
con of peace.

These deaths and the military  
occupation with machine guns  
and armoured cars of the Sude-

## BAN ON ALL MEETINGS

Prague, To-day.

All public meetings and demon-  
strations have been banned  
throughout Czechoslovakia, whe-  
ther held in enclosed premises or  
otherwise.

Now there are nine dead in the  
disturbances.—Reuter.

## WASHINGTON SUPPORTS PRAGUE

Washington, To-day.

There has been unusual activi-  
ty in the State Department of-  
fices where reports are pouring in  
from American diplomats in  
Europe.

Officials do not conceal their  
apprehension but have withheld  
comment.

In unofficial circles the news of  
the ultimatum has created a  
most distasteful impression and  
observers describe the ultimatum  
as one which no sovereign State  
could accept.—Reuter.

ten regions proves that Prague is  
not ready for a peaceful solution.  
—Reuter.





# BRITISH CABINET'S HITLER SPEECH PARLEY

## All Service Department Chiefs In Conference

### Further Warning Against Precipitate Action

London, To-day.

Sir Thomas Inskip, Mr. Leslie Hore Belisha, Mr. Duff Cooper and Sir Kingsley Wood with certain Staff chiefs, arrived at Downing Street last night and were in conference with Mr. Chamberlain and others.

The "Big Four" of the British Ministers continued their consideration of Hitler's speech in the afternoon.

After mature reflection the impression in authoritative quarters is that no doors have been finally banged by the Hitler speech and perhaps the door of settlement may be held to have been left ajar since it is possible that negotiations will continue, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

On the other hand the speech has not solved any problem nor contained any concrete suggestion on how the way might be cleared for reaching a solution.

It is felt that the speech has done little to remove the menace which is causing the world so much anxiety.

#### CHARGED ATMOSPHERE

The immediate sequel of the speech has been a series of grave incidents in Czecho-Slovakia of which perhaps the full result is not yet seen and which proves a highly-charged atmosphere in which calmness in treatment of the situation is necessary.

It is suggested that nothing is dangerously further from the truth than the suggestions that Britain has failed to realise the urgency of the problem or even that Britain with other democracies is anything to obscure a settlement.

#### BRITAIN'S STAND

Britain has never failed to realise the urgency of the problem and in many respects the justice of the Sudeten demand but it also recognised that if resort had to be made to violence, the inter-relation of the forces involved would be such that the consequences would be quite immeasurable.

It is held that nobody can predict the events or say when or how or what precise forms vital decisions may be forced on Governments but it should be made quite clear, however anxious the British people are to see the settlement of the problem, that it is quite impossible to suppose that Britain could stand aside from a general conflict in which the integrity of France might be menaced.

#### MORAL ISSUE

Authoritative quarters consider that everything indicates that it is essential to restrain the reactions of provocation and give the negotiations a chance to proceed.

Great progress has been made and opportunities of further progress emphasised that it is morally unjustifiable for any action in any quarter to be taken which might terminate the hope of an issue to negotiations. Reuter.

### ALL SUDETEN PARTY GROUPS LEAVE PRAGUE

Prague, To-day.

The reaction of the Sudeten German Party to the Prague Government's rejection of the ultimatum is not available since all Sudetens left the city last evening, as well as the entire personnel of the Party Headquarters and the Press Bureau.

Even the editorial office of the official Sudeten paper "Die Zeit" was empty, the issue which had just appeared carrying the following announcement:

"In view of the increased censorship restrictions which were announced to-day and which make accurate reporting of developments of the internal situation impossible, 'Die Zeit' will discontinue publication for the time being. We advise our readers to resort to the Radio as source of news."—Trans-Ocean.

### ENGLAND CONSIDERS PRECAUTIONS

London, To-day.

A calm atmosphere prevailed at Whitehall last night, but in view of the Ministers' view of the day's events, it was felt advisable to keep in close touch with one another.

It is understood that a visit of the Service Ministers to Downing Street was made in order to consider what precautionary measures might be necessary in view of the troubled state of Europe. —Reuter.

### THE DAILY TOLL OF THIEVES

Mrs. G. O. F. Alley, of No. 526, The Peak, had a handbag either lost or stolen containing a cigarette case and money to the value of \$40.50, in D'Aguilar Street, at about 10.40 a.m. yesterday.

Mr. D. Montedo, of No. 74, Waterloo Road, lost a pocket book, with money and a ferry ticket.

Miss Wo Po Yin, student, residing at No. 16 Babington Bath, has reported that at about 5.30 p.m. yesterday an unknown person stole a battery from her car No. 8743, while it was parked in front of her house.

Wong Su Nang, clerk, of No. 141, Gloucester Road, has reported that between mid-night and 7 a.m. this morning, someone entered his residence, and stole clothing and money to the value of \$157.

Cheung Pui, of No. 75 Johnston Road, was robbed of money and jewellery, to the value of \$82, between 12.30 p.m. last night and 4.30 a.m. this morning.

Tam Ping, residing at No. 6 Kowloon City Road, has reported that somebody stole a safe key from his pocket, while he was asleep, opened his safe, and took away \$190 in Hong Kong currency.

### POLAND'S PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED

Warsaw, To-day.

President Moscicki issued an enactment yesterday ordering the immediate dissolution of the Sejm and Senate.

No date has yet been fixed for holding new elections.

The reason given for this action by the Polish President, which has taken the country completely by surprise, is that since the last general elections in Autumn, 1935, important changes have occurred in Poland's domestic affairs and the need is felt of bringing the Houses of Parliament in accord with the present trend of the public opinion.

Immediately following the dissolution of Polish Parliament, a meeting of the Polish Cabinet was summoned to discuss the new situation.

It was presided over by General Skladkowski, the Polish Premier.

According to the Polish constitution the new elections must take place within 30 days of the dissolution of Parliament.—Trans-Ocean.

### FIGHTING ON ANHWEI BORDER

Shanghai, To-day.

It is reported here that on an estimate made by Japanese officers the Chinese casualties in the ten days battle in the northern foothills near the Anhwei-Honan provincial border amounted to ten thousand, including four thousand slain on the battlefield.

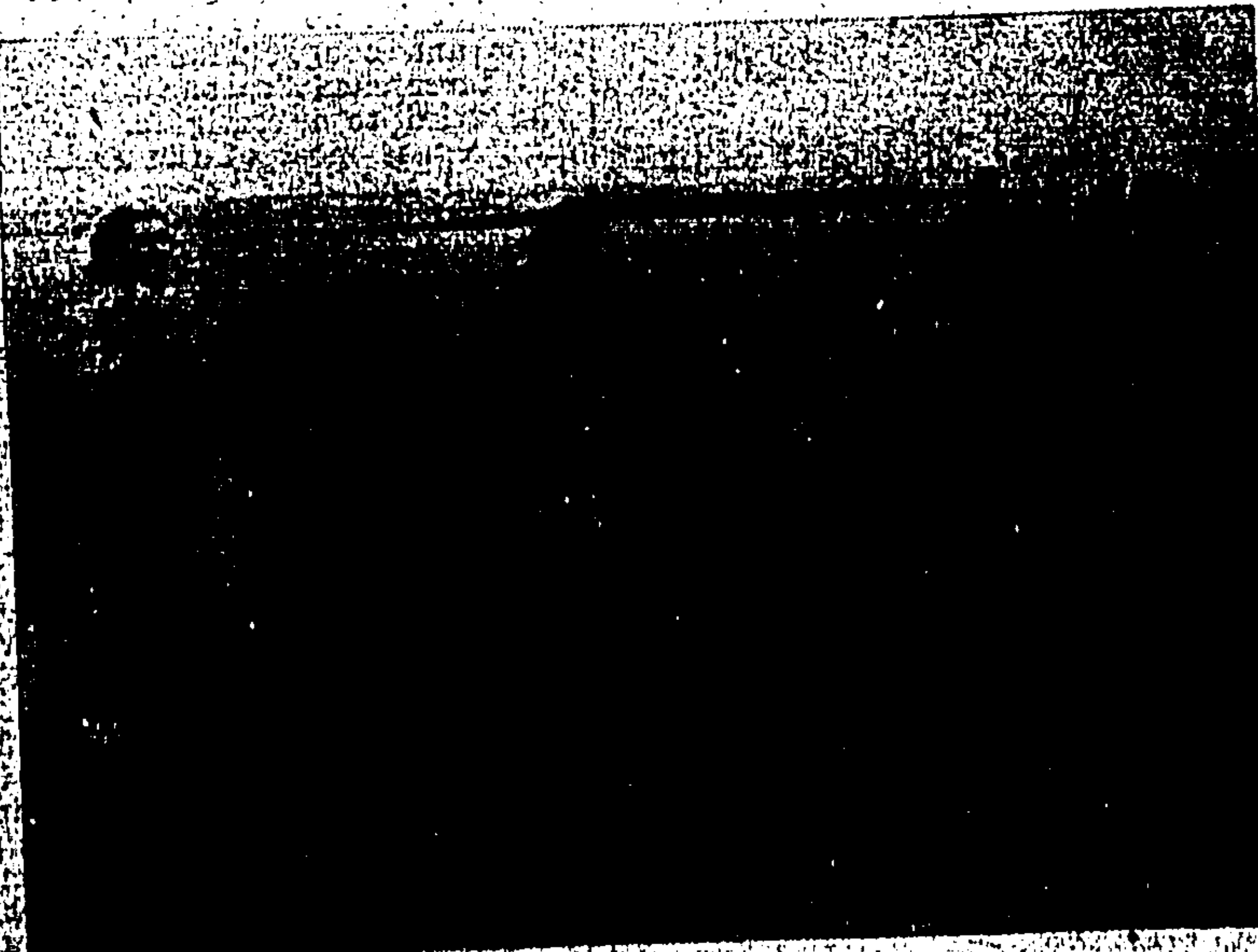
The battle, according to Japanese accounts, ended on Monday, when Chinese forces, estimated at ten divisions, gave up their stubborn resistance and began gradually withdrawing in small groups westwards.

It is reported that one Japanese column has reached a point 16 kilometres from Kwangchow while another column is attempting to strike at Kwangchow from the north by proceeding westwards along the flooded Hwai River.—Trans-Ocean.

### TAIKOO CASE

Appearing on remand before Mr. R. Edwards this morning, a 23-year-old clerk, Lee Ying-chuen, was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour when he pleaded guilty to fraudulent conversion of \$100, received on account of the Taikoo Sugar Refinery.

Mr. F. G. Nigel, of Johnson, Stokes and Master, for defendant, said that he had been employed in the Sugar Refinery since January, and had given great satisfaction.

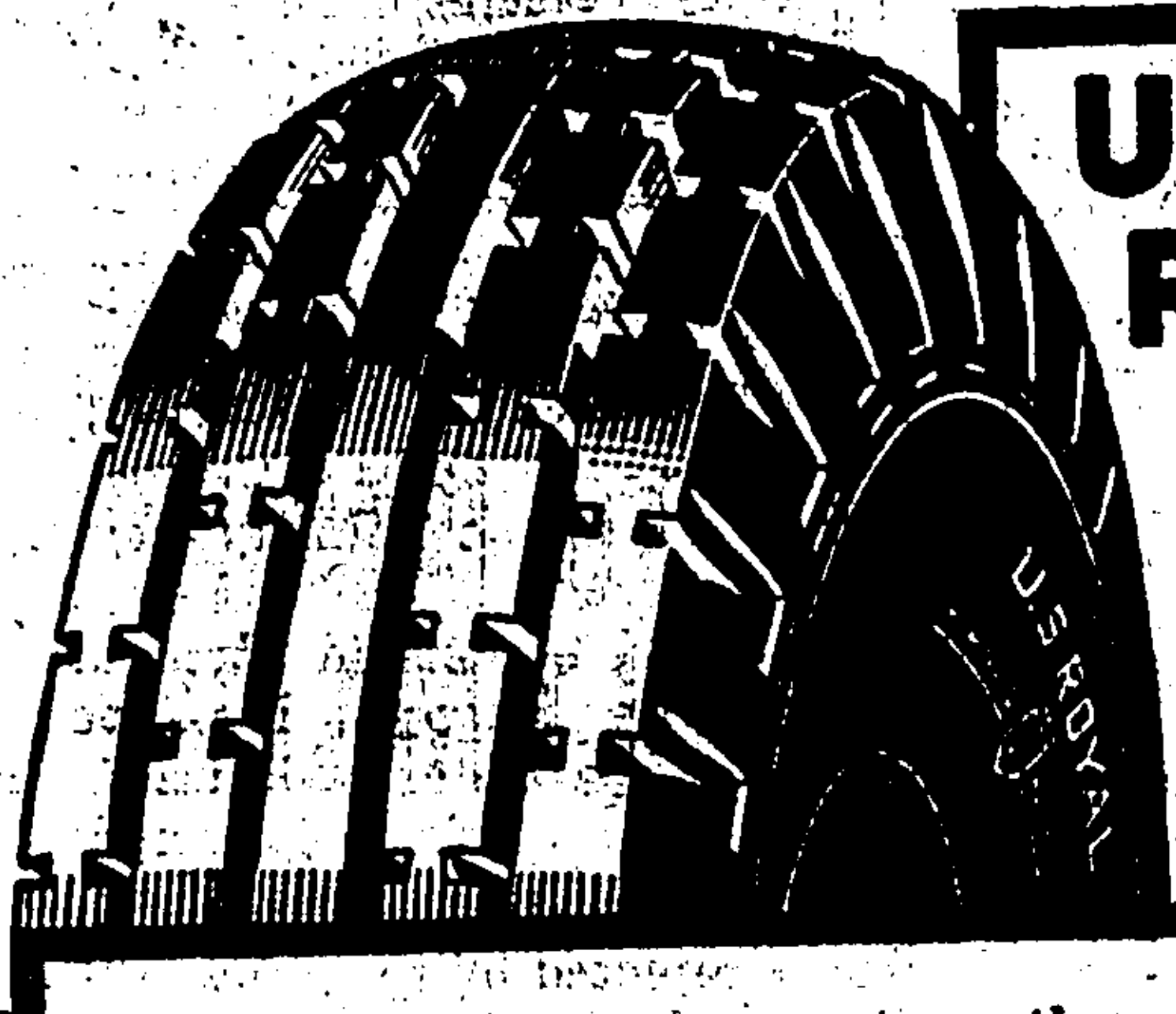


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THE DAILY SHORT STORY

NOT FOR SALE

I GUESS the Hartlows have a different idea of human nature now. They were always a snobbish bunch, those Hartlows. Their ancestry dates back to the old Yankee traders. That's where they got their money. Old Jonas Hartlow owned a flock of sailing-vessels and he traded in the Orient and the West Indies and all over the place and made himself a heap of money. Eventually it all came down to Ennis.

Ennis and his family live in the same big house on the hill back of the town. Only now that house is remodelled and modernized. The furniture is the same. It's about that furniture that I want to tell you. You see, two years ago the government built a road—a main highway going north—through Belleville, and the way the engineers figured, this road had to go plumb through Ennis Hartlow's front yard. Ennis was as sore

thing that he was doing must be a blow to his pride. Also, the fact that he wasn't selling anything to speak of must have hurt too. Now, if Ennis had been smart like his ancestors—well, Old Jonas would have figured some solution to the problem.

But that's where I guessed wrong. I forgot to figure that Ennis had Jonas' blood in his veins. I forgot to figure Ennis had any brains at all. Anyway, this is what happened:

A week after the sign went up, it came down. That same day Mrs. Hartlow began house cleaning. She cleaned one room at a time, setting the furniture out in her front yard while she done her scrubbing. Well, sir, that furniture hadn't been there an hour before a tourist car pulled up and the occupants got out and looked over the going north—through Belleville, and furniture and began asking prices. Ennis quoted 'em prices, and by jinks they bought without a whimper. But that was only the beginning.

By Richard Hill Wilkinson

as a wet hen. He put up an awful squawk. Went down to Washington and used all the influence he couldn't and it didn't do a whit of good.

Well, sir, they put the road through and it proved a boon to Belleville. We haven't any industries, you know. Nothing but farming and fishing, and farming and fishing aren't what they used to be. But us folks is enterprising, so when we saw the flocks and flocks of tourists passing through we figured these tourists has got money to spend and by jinks we ought to get some of it.

So we ups and builds roadside stands and opened our houses to overnight guests and fixed up lawns and things and, by jinks, the tourist business became our biggest industry.

Tourists are a curious lot. They're antique-minded, so to speak. They'd see an old piece of discarded furniture around and they'd buy it. You can't fool 'em either. It's got to be old or they won't pay money.

Well, sir, the way the tourists would look longingly and wistfully at Ennis Hartlow's house was something. You see, we'd told them that all the old and original antiques in town were up there at Ennis' place, but Ennis wouldn't let no one in. He put up signs and bought himself a watchdog and threatened to shoot nousey folks who tried to investigate. Seemed a pity, 'cause most of the furniture Ennis had had long since outlived its practical use. Why not, therefore, sell it?

A year passed, and then one day we got a surprise. Ennis hung a sign out on his front door that read: "Antiques for Sale. Tourists Welcome." Well, sir, it was a shock, but before twenty-four hours had passed we knew that the Hartlows had taken a loss in some business deal or another and needed money.

We figured every danged tourist that came to town would hike right up the hill to Hartlow's when they saw that sign. But nothing like that happened. Tourists would take one look at that sign and turn away. Hard to figure, but it's human nature. Soon's it became evident that Ennis wanted to sell, it also became evident he wanted money. And when a man wants money, he might resort to such things as selling inferior products. It's things that folks don't want to sell that other folks want to buy.

I kind of felt sorry for Ennis. He'd never worked a day in his life. This

Every pleasant day thereafter Mrs. Hartlow cleaned house, moving her furniture out of doors and laying it around helter-skelter haphazard like so it'd appear genuine, and every day tourist cars stopped and asked prices.

Well, sir, the Hartlow fortune began looking up, but Ennis apparently wasn't satisfied. He figured, by jinks, that if that's the way folks were, he might as well go the limit. So what'd he do? He printed a lot of signs that said: "Not for Sale." And when Mrs. Hartlow moved her things out into the yard, Ennis affixed a "Not for Sale" sign on to it. And what happened? Why it danged near drove them tourists frantic. Cars were stuck in the yard all day long. Somebody that somebody else didn't want to sell was right up their alley.

You could see Ennis, headheaded and frowning, standing in the yard bargaining with them tourists, and from what I hear here and there I reckon some of the prices he got for his antiques were fabulous.

At any rate, the Hartlows are rich again. But here's the point: They learned a few things about human nature, and now they're human themselves. They're not high hat any more, but associate with us folks in the village and make right good citizens.

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BAN ON NORTH CHINA NEWSPAPER

Peiping, To-day.

Upon the Japanese Embassy replying to the protest concerning the banning from the mails of the "Peking and Tientsin Times," the British Embassy has renewed its protest.

The Japanese reply said that a copy could be delivered to the British Embassy only.

It is learned that Japanese military headquarters ordered the ban on the newspaper because of alleged subversive activities.—Reuter.



# SUDETEN GERMAN ULTIMATUM REJECTED

## Six Hours To Withdraw All Emergency Measures Situation Has Gone Too Far: Eight Karlsbad Demands Not Now Sufficient

Prague, To-day.

Sudeten German headquarters declare that the famous eight points mentioned in Herr Henlein's Karlsbad speech, which have hitherto been embodied in the Sudeten demands, can no longer provide a basis for negotiations.

The reason given is that the situation has gone too far and that the Sudetens are now declared to be so excited that they will be satisfied with nothing less than a plebiscite. It is rumoured that Konrad Henlein may see the President, Dr. Benes to-day.

Sudeten leaders at 5 p.m. gave the Government an ultimatum of six hours to withdraw all exceptional measures introduced into Sudeten districts otherwise they will decline to accept responsibility for any consequences.

The Sudeten leaders met this evening after which they issued a communique, declaring:

"The Government has pledged itself to discuss with the Sudetens any important step which might be taken in connection with the situation.

"Although their leaders were in Prague on that morning, the Government did not consult them about the important measures regarding the proclamation of martial law in certain districts.

"There have been numerous incidents in which Sudetens have been assaulted and killed and a situation of grave tension now prevails."

### MARTIAL LAW REMOVAL DEMAND

The telegram, delivered to Dr. Hodza, is signed by Herr Frank, on behalf of Herr Henlein, and by Dr. Kundt and says: "The state of martial law must be removed immediately and State police must be withdrawn from all districts where there is a German majority and police duties must be handed over to the mayors and municipal councillors in those districts who will be responsible for the maintenance of order.

"Gendarmerie and all other organs are to be reduced to normal strength and carry out normal duties.

"All military formation must be confined to barracks and kept removed from the civilian population."

After a two-hour Cabinet meeting the Government sent a reply to the Sudetens' ultimatum. It is learned that the reply was not an acceptance but it did not close the door to further negotiations. It is not expected that the text will be published.

After the meeting, Dr. Hodza conferred with Sir Basil Newton, the British Minister, and M. Delacroix, the French Minister.

A German newspaper has suspended publication on account of the censorship regulations.

A Sudeten news bulletin in Pressebrief has suspended publication for the same reason.—Reuter.

### GOVERNMENT'S REPLY

Paris, To-day.

It is believed in well-informed circles here that the Czech Government replied to the Sudetens, that if measures for security taken in certain districts raised objections, the Government were ready to discuss them in Prague with the Sudeten representatives.

The Government believed, it was added, that if the Sudetens were ready to address a proclamation to their followers asking them to respect law and order, the Government would see no objection to withdrawing the exceptional measures. It is learned in circles close to the Ministry of War that the latest

indications from Prague are that the atmosphere is slightly better. It is still possible that an amicable solution may be found.—Reuter.

### MIDNIGHT EXPIRY

Prague, To-day.

It is learned that the ultimatum telegram was not delivered until 6 p.m. yesterday and consequently expired at midnight last night.

Dr. Hodza, the Czechoslovakian Prime Minister, invited Herr Rudolf Frank, who sent the telegram, to visit Prague to discuss the situation, and pointed out that it might be possible to reach an agreement that would lead to pacification.

Rudolf Frank replied that Dr. Kundt, the negotiator, would come to Prague and call on Dr. Hodza. Dr. Kundt is travelling by road.—Reuter.

### LITTLE EASIER

Prague, To-day.

A further meeting of the Council Ministers sat until 11.15 p.m., but it was officially stated afterwards that no decisions were taken.

The statement added that in the Government view the situation is a little easier.

Dr. Kundt, who was expected in

Prague from Eger to discuss the situation with Dr. Hodza and President Benes, had not arrived at midnight, nor had he sent any message to explain his failure to keep the appointment.

It is considered possible that he had been delayed as it is a four-hour journey by car from Eger.

The fact that the official view regards the situation as easier is regarded as encouraging.—Reuter.

## DIE CAST BY HENLEIN?

London, To-day.

Reuter is informed by the Czech Minister in London that Herr Henlein, through his secretary, has notified Dr. Hodza that under the circumstances further negotiations are not possible.

At the same time, Henlein expressed his appreciation to the people who had so far led the negotiations and mentioned by name, Dr. Kundt and Dr. Sobekosky.—Reuter.

## ULTIMATUM UNACCEPTABLE

London, To-day.

According to responsible Czech quarters in London, the Sudeten ultimatum is unacceptable as the situation demands the presence of extra police.

It is pointed out that the emergency measures in no way extend to the military, but simply give the police extra powers.—Reuter.

## PRAGUE ELECTS TO IGNORE ULTIMATUM

Prague, To-day.

The Sudeten German ultimatum was rejected by the Prague Government, the Ministerial Committee for political questions having decided towards midnight not to answer the Note. It was declared semi-officially.

The Deputy of Konrad Henlein, Dr. Karl Hermann Frank, was informed that it was difficult to adjust such questions by telephone and that the leaders of the Sudeten German Party are invited to Prague in order to discuss the questions directly with the Government.—Trans-Ocean.

## GRAF ZEPPELIN

Friedrichshafen, To-day.

The new German dirigible will bear the name "Graf Zeppelin" and will take to the air for the first time to-day if the weather is favourable. In view of the refusal of the American Government to provide helium the airship will be filled with hydrogen, which will reduce the danger of fire.—Trans-Ocean.

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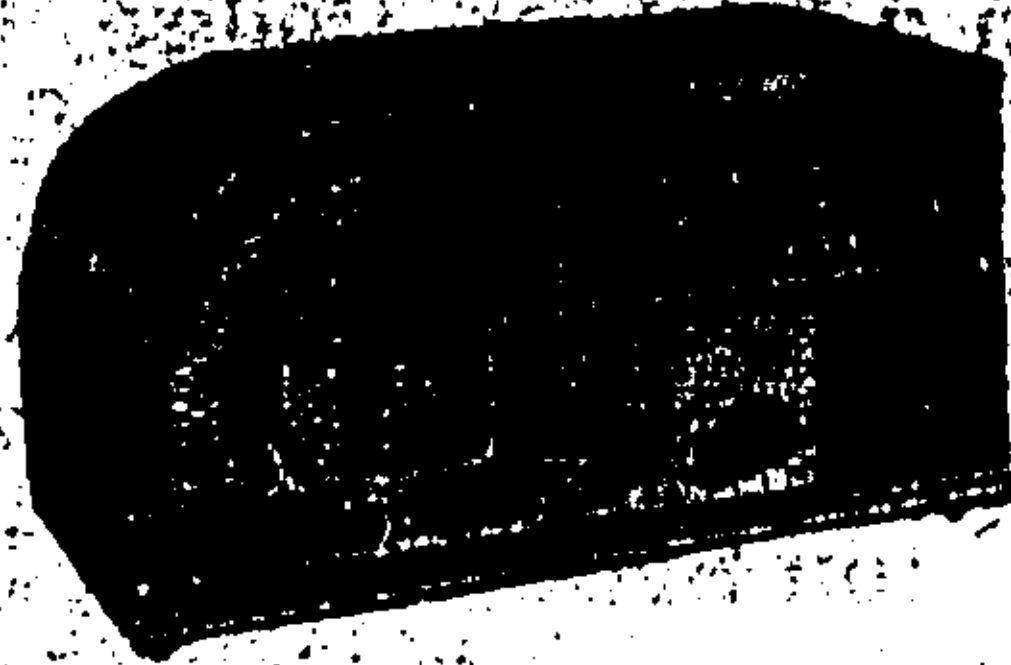
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## THE THREAT TO EUROPE

There seems to be only one wise view to take of Herr Hitler's speech at Nuremberg and that is to prepare for the worst, while leaving no step untaken that may serve to avert disaster. Far from relieving the anxieties of the past few weeks, the effect of the German leader's challenging statement of policy on the Sudeten German issue is to change nothing, unless it is for the worse. It is true that no menacing plan of direct action was proclaimed and that, to that extent, apprehensions of an immediate outbreak of war were allayed. But whether that is to be accurately interpreted as the result of the British warning of Sunday, or whether, as other observers seem to believe, Herr Hitler's belligerency of spirit was aroused to give answer to that challenge, the respite gained or given cannot, at this moment, be regarded as other than momentary. The hope that the speech would remove the menace of war from Europe was far from fulfilled. That is the outstanding conclusion which must inevitably be drawn, and that in itself is warrant for the most watchful precautions.

The dangerous feature needs hardly be stressed. It was the announcement to the Sudeten Germans that they can look to Greater Germany for military support no matter how extreme the strain they may choose to place upon the goodwill of the Czechs. Hitler, in fact, made little serious effort to conceal that the grievances of the Sudeten Germans are simply a pretext and that Germany has no intention of standing to one side while the Sudetens and the Czechs endeavour, in their own way, to compose their differences. His charges against the Czech Government were too highly colour-

ed to be convincing to any but those needing no convincing. The whole trend of the speech went to confirm the belief that if the Sudeten grievances did not exist, they would need to be created or invented or some other pretext would have to be found in their place. It would be foolish to deny that genuine grievances do exist: but beyond denial also is the fact that the concessions offered last week to the Sudetens were fair and reasonable at least as a basis of negotiations, going far beyond anything which could have been expected but for the menace of German arms hanging over Europe. The point is that legitimate Sudeten claims have little or nothing to do with the Czecho-Slovakian problem in its international aspect. Insofar as there is danger of war arising out of any occurrence inside the borders of Czecho-Slovakia, it is simply and solely due to the possibility of an outbreak of violence on the part of the Henleinite partisans, acting on instructions from outside and, conceivably, inspired by Hitler's Black Guards who have already, according to Reuter reports, begun to infiltrate. Events in the last 24 hours confirm that there is, indeed, grave danger of a Nazi-instigated civil war, giving Germany a pretext to send in troops. That the danger is very real may be inferred from the fact that the annexation of Austria succeeded not at the first attempt but at the second. Herr Hitler's first attempt in Czecho-Slovakia was made on May 21. Firmness is essential if a second attempt is to be prevented.

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## Keeping Fit

Sir Thomas Inskip is probably well aware by this time that, as Minister for Co-ordination of Defence, he must watch his step because other people are watching it too. A not too precisely worded reference in the Commons to plans already drafted for putting everyone into an appointed war-like place just as soon as an "emergency" arose recently led to an exercise in strategic withdrawal, which indicated that neither country nor Cabinet was so entirely prepared for universal conscription. Defence Ministers do well, therefore, to be careful when they talk about physical fitness lest some hearers jump to the conclusion that fitness for fighting is the real essence of the programme. Nevertheless, they should not overdo the attitude of detachment. Sir Thomas, speaking at Loughborough on Tuesday, described himself as "one supremely interested in fitness for its own sake," and made some personal reference to his own "modest exercises every morning." But is the fitness which the Minister so properly pursues really regarded as an end in itself? Is he not rather cultivating the healthy body in order that the sound mind may function more efficiently within that body's confines—in other words, he wants to be fit in order that he can enjoy life and get on with his job? Fitness as an end in itself seems, paradoxically enough, rather a lackadaisical ideal and somewhat akin to the ridiculous ambition of the aesthetes of the nineties to "exist beautifully." To be fit in order to exist is deplorable and well deserves to be disavowed. But to keep fit in order to play a full and happy part in life is surely rather commendable. It is surely rather commendable by phrases like "fitness for its own sake."



# CUSTOMS BUILDING IN SCHWADERBACH RUSHED

## Two Czechs Killed In Latest Grave Incident

### CABINET IN CONFERENCE WITH CHIEFS OF STAFFS

London, To-day.

There will be a meeting of the Cabinet this morning from which the only absentee is likely to be the Dominions Minister, Lord Stanley.

Lord Hailsham, Lord President of the Council, who has been abroad, returned to London yesterday and called on the Prime Minister; and Earl de la Warr, Lord Privy Seal, is returning by air from Geneva to attend the meeting. Earl de la Warr will be able to inform his colleagues of the nature and results of his conversations with the various heads of delegations to the League Assembly.

He will return to Geneva immediately after the Cabinet meeting.

Following yesterday afternoon's ministerial consultations, there was another meeting of ministers at 10 Downing Street in the evening at which the Prime Minister, Foreign Secretary, Chancellor of the Exchequer and Home Secretary were joined by the First Lord of the Admiralty, the War Minister and Secretary for Air.

The latter returned urgently from a visit of inspection to shadow factories in the Coventry area to attend the meeting.

First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir Roger Backhouse, Chief of Imperial General Staff, General Viscount Gort, and Chief of Air Staff, Air Marshal Sir Cyril Newall, were present at the conference which lasted over an hour.—British Wireless.

### ITALY'S CONTRIBUTION

Rome, To-day.

An official Italian statement in the "Diplomatic Information" referring to the Czech problem, states that there are two solutions to the problem.

Firstly, to give the Sudetens the faculty of disposing of their own destiny and, secondly, of denying them this right.

To give the Sudetens the possibility of secession is to choose a path of justice and peace.—Reuter.

### NEAR PANIC ON N.Y. STOCK MARKET

News of the Sudeten German ultimatum caused a collapse on the New York Stock Exchange, where the gravest view is taken of European developments.

The extent of the fall may be estimated by the fact that the Dow Jones industrial averages broke six points, and closed practically at the lowest rate of the day.

### ATMOSPHERE GROWS STEADILY WORSE HOUR BY HOUR

Prague, To-day.

The tension in Czecho-Slovakia is growing more acute with each hour and the atmosphere is still further deteriorating as the news of further grave incidents spreads.

The latest of these incidents is reported from Schwaderbach which lies in the close proximity to the German frontier. Here a group of 20 Sudeten Germans was fired at by Czech gendarmes and frontier guards.

It appears from first reports reaching here that after the shots had been fired, the Sudeten Germans rushed the Customs Building and having gained access, came to blows with the Czech customs' officials and gendarmes.

In the course of this fight one Czech customs official and one Czech gendarme were killed and several Sudeten Germans injured. The affray occurred so close to the German frontier that one of the shots fired struck the Customs house on the German side of the frontier.

The situation in Schwaderbach however, to have occurred spontaneously immediately at the conclusion of the Fuehrer's speech. In most places, church bells were ringing and the sirens of factories howled. The demonstrators did not only sing the German national anthems but entire streets were suddenly decorated with Swastika flags.—Trans-Ocean.

It is reported from Tachau, in Bohemia, that following a demonstration of the Sudeten German Party on the market-square which had been carried through in perfect order, someone without warning fired shots at the persons who were going peacefully home. Three persons were killed outright and a large number were wounded and had to be conveyed to hospital.

In the meantime it is learnt that Dr. Krofta, the Czech Foreign Minister, who had planned to leave for Geneva yesterday, has cancelled his journey owing to the deterioration of the situation. The Czech Government promulgated martial law in the districts of Eger, Neudeck, Pressnitz, Elbogen and Kaaden, and later on extended it to include Carlsbad, Falkenau and Krumau.

Owing to the interruption of the telephone lines it is not possible to obtain in Prague a full account of these demonstrations. They appear

### EIGHT CZECHS AND FOUR SUDETENS DEAD

London, To-day.

Official casualties reported in Czecho-Slovakia up to midnight are eight Czechs and four Sudetens dead, according to the Czech Minister in London.—Reuter.

### RUMANIA TO PERMIT PASSAGE OF RED ARMY

Geneva, To-day.

There is every reason to believe that the Russians and the Rumanians here have reached an agreement for the passage of Soviet troops across Rumania in the event of a German attack on Czecho-Slovakia.

The same quarters suggested that the Soviet will be allowed a corridor five miles wide.—Reuter.

### MARTIAL LAW EFFECTIVE

Prague, To-day.

It is reported that order now prevails in districts under martial law, the inhabitants being confined to their homes, and only persons with police permits are allowed in the streets.

Martial Law has also been extended to the districts of Tachau and Bischofteinitz, it is reported.

The Runciman Mission has established connection with the Sudeten German Party and, in accordance with wishes from the Prague Government, is endeavouring to arrange for direct negotiations.—Trans-Ocean.

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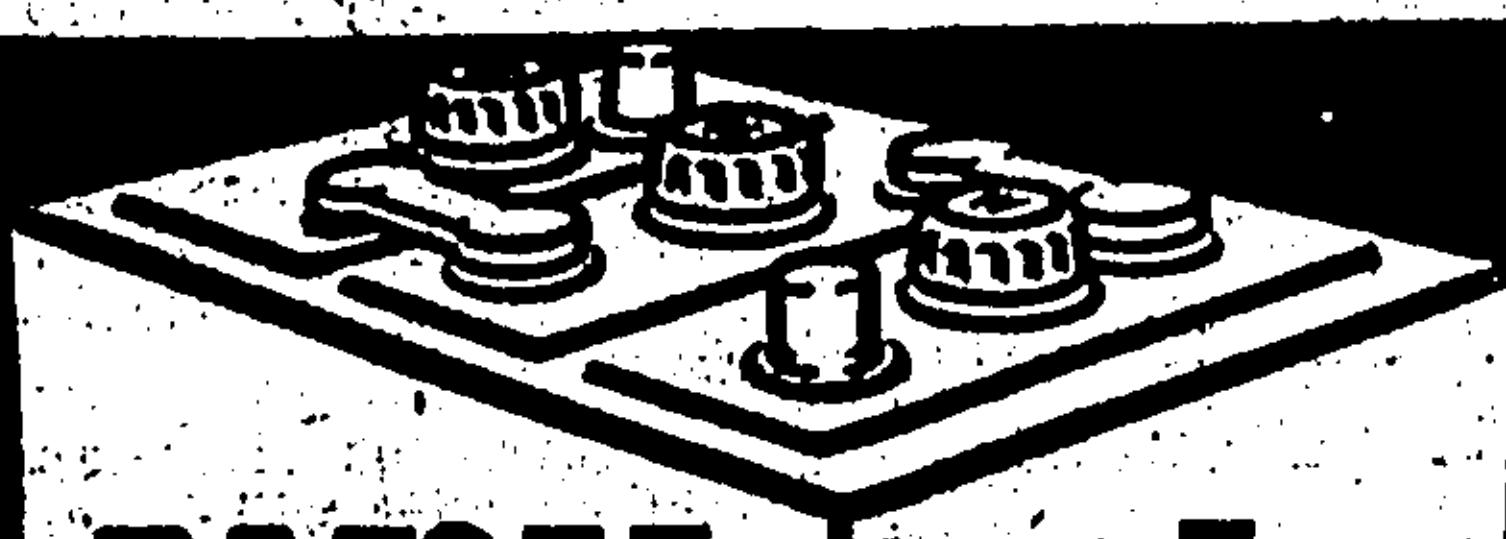
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## HONOURS FOR ARMY OFFICERS

London, To-day.  
To-night's "London Gazette" announces that the King has approved the award, for gallantry and distinguished service in Palestine, of the D.S.O. on Captain O. C. Wingate, Royal Artillery, and for bar to the M. C. to Second-Lieutenant H. E. N. Bradin and of the M. C. to Second-Lieutenant J. A. Law, both of the Royal Wiltshire Rifles.

The award to Law is posthumous as he died on September 9 from wounds received in action.—British Wireless.

## PALESTINE COMMISSION SITS

London, To-day.

The Palestine Partition Commission in private session received Dr. J. H. Hertz, Chief Rabbi of the British Empire, Dr. Isaac Herzog, Chief Rabbi of the Holy Land, and Rabbi Meir Berlin, President of the World Mizrahi Organisation, Jerusalem, and took evidence from them on matters arising under the Commission's terms of reference.—British-Wireless.

London, To-day.

A meeting of the West India Royal Commission at the Colonial Office to take evidence, will begin next Tuesday.—British Wireless.

# Chinese Breach Yellow River To Stop Japanese

Peiping, To-day.

Adopting the tactics which blocked the Japanese plan of campaign for a drive on Hankow down the Peiping-Hankow Railway, the Chinese troops on the Shansi front have breached the dykes of the Yellow River, on the right bank some 20 miles to the east of Tungkwan.

Flood waters from this breach are, according to Japanese reports following rapidly eastward and they are likely to hamper all Japanese attempts to cross the River from Shansi.

They were making a bid to cross at a point a few miles east of the new breach in the dykes. The floods are pouring across their line of approach.

### TIENTSIN MYSTERY

Meanwhile, at Tientsin, fresh troops are continually arriving from Japan and the object of this tremendous influx continues to arouse speculation and anxiety.

It was admitted by the spokesman of the Embassy to-day that troops are still landing at Tangku and that they are likely to continue unloading for several days.

He declined to give any idea of the number of men who have been sent to North China.—Reuter.

### KWANGTSI FIGHTING

Hankow, To-day.

More Japanese troops are being concentrated north of the Yangtse in their drive to dislodge the Chinese around Kwangtsi, according to latest messages from the front this morning.

The Chinese are making a determined stand in that area and appear to be under orders to halt all further advances by the Japanese at all costs. The casualties of both forces are reported to be very heavy.

Additional Chinese troops are pouring into that region from Wuchang, to reinforce and relieve their comrades who have been in the front line for the past two weeks.

Meanwhile, the situation, south of the Yangtse, is not regarded seriously by the Chinese officials. The troops from Mahweiling have taken up strong defence positions defending Tehan, and the major battle for the gate-way to Nanchang is still awaited.—Our Own Correspondent.

## SIKULING FALLS

Hankow, To-day.

Sikuling, which commands the highway to Tehan, was captured by

the Japanese after days of bitter fighting, according to Chinese reports.

The hill fell following another vigorous drive by the Japanese to the south-west of Singtze.

The Chinese defenders are said to have retired to Hualungshan.

A general offensive was launched by the Japanese on Monday against the Chinese positions to the north-west of Juichang, a Chinese military commune states.

### JAPAN'S NEW MOVE

At the same time, Japanese troops are said to have been landed in Lichiawan to the south west of Matouchen under cover of a naval bombardment, for the purpose of making a combined drive on Matouchen, opposite Wushih.

After severe fighting, the communique admits that the Japanese succeeded in penetrating the Chinese line at Shihaoapo and Jen-shihling.

The opposing forces are said to be engaged in the vicinity of Fushan and Hollenshan.

### HONAN FIGHTING

Japanese forces in the east of Honan, it is stated, are at present concentrating on Litsi, 20 kilometres to the west of Hwaiyang, apparently making preparations for a drive to the west towards the Peiping-Hankow Railway to the south of Changchow.

It is officially claimed that a small detachment of Japanese troops were surrounded to the west of Kwangtsi on the north bank of the Yangtse and wiped out.—Reuter.

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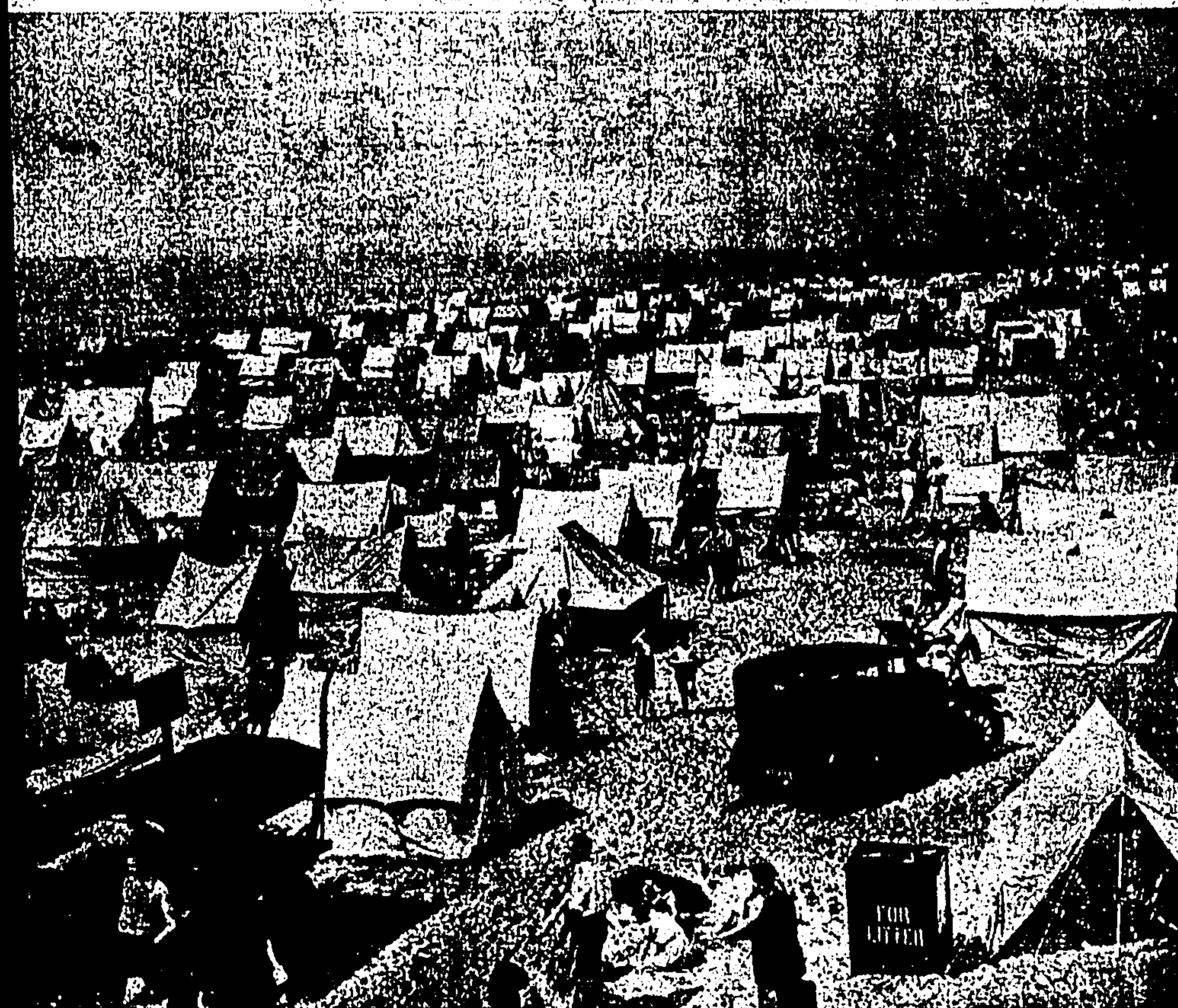
London, To-day.

King Boris of Bulgaria and Queen Ioanna left Balmoral yesterday evening for the south.—British-Wireless.

## Bringing Up Father







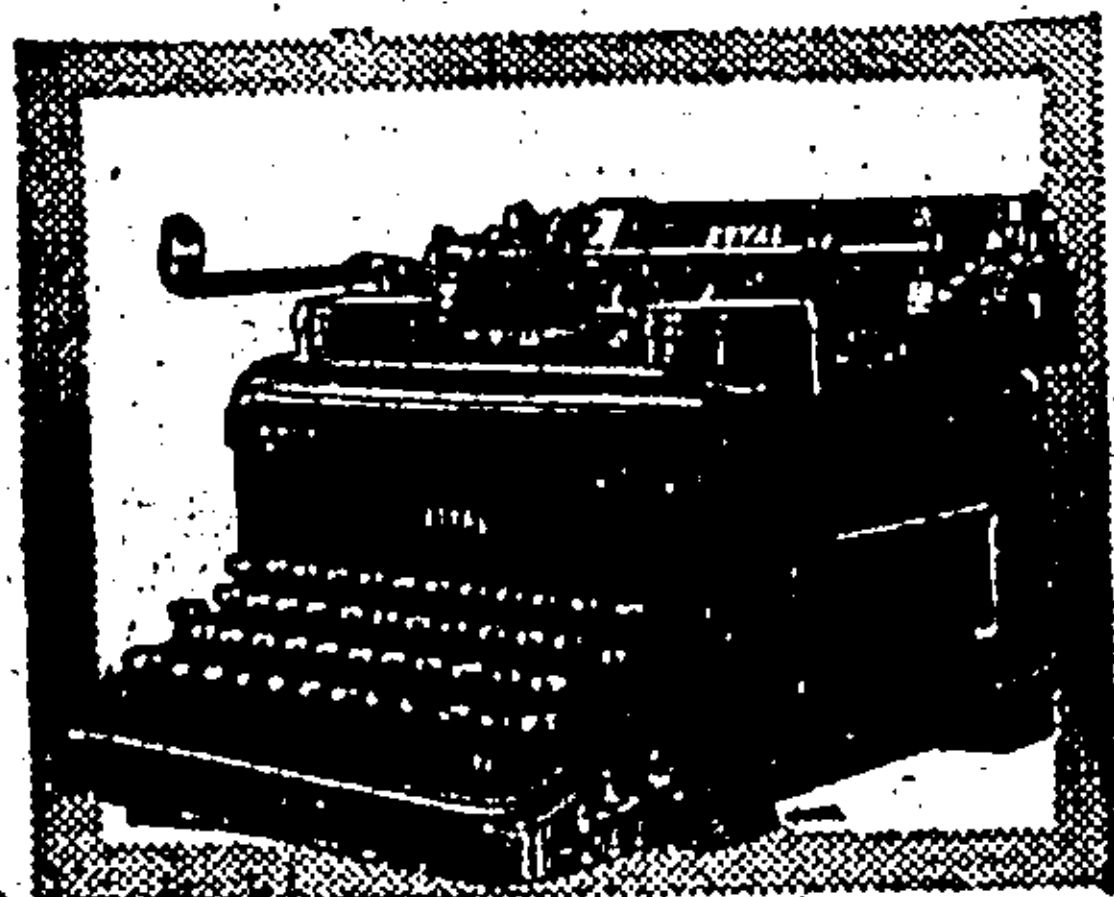
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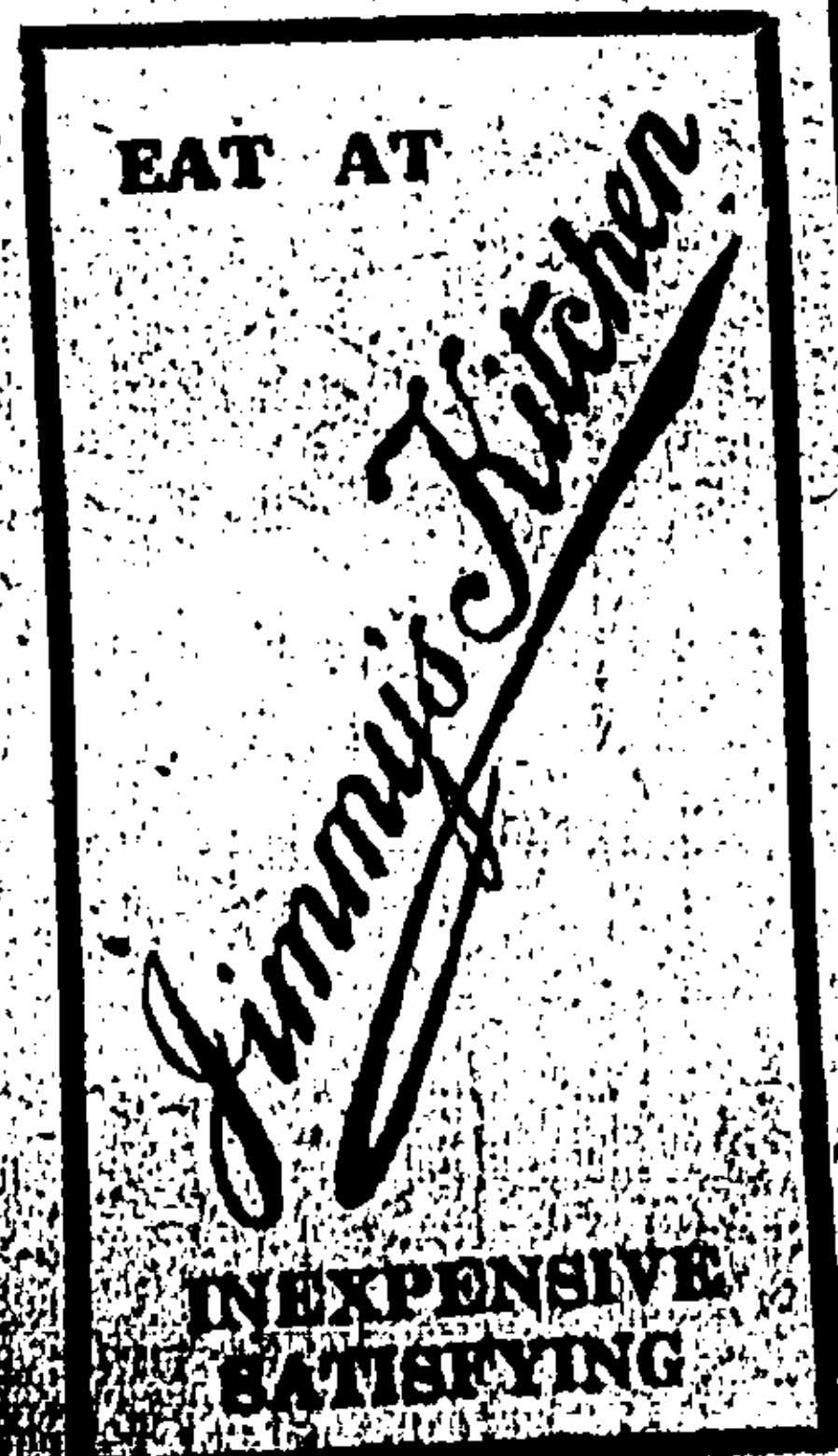
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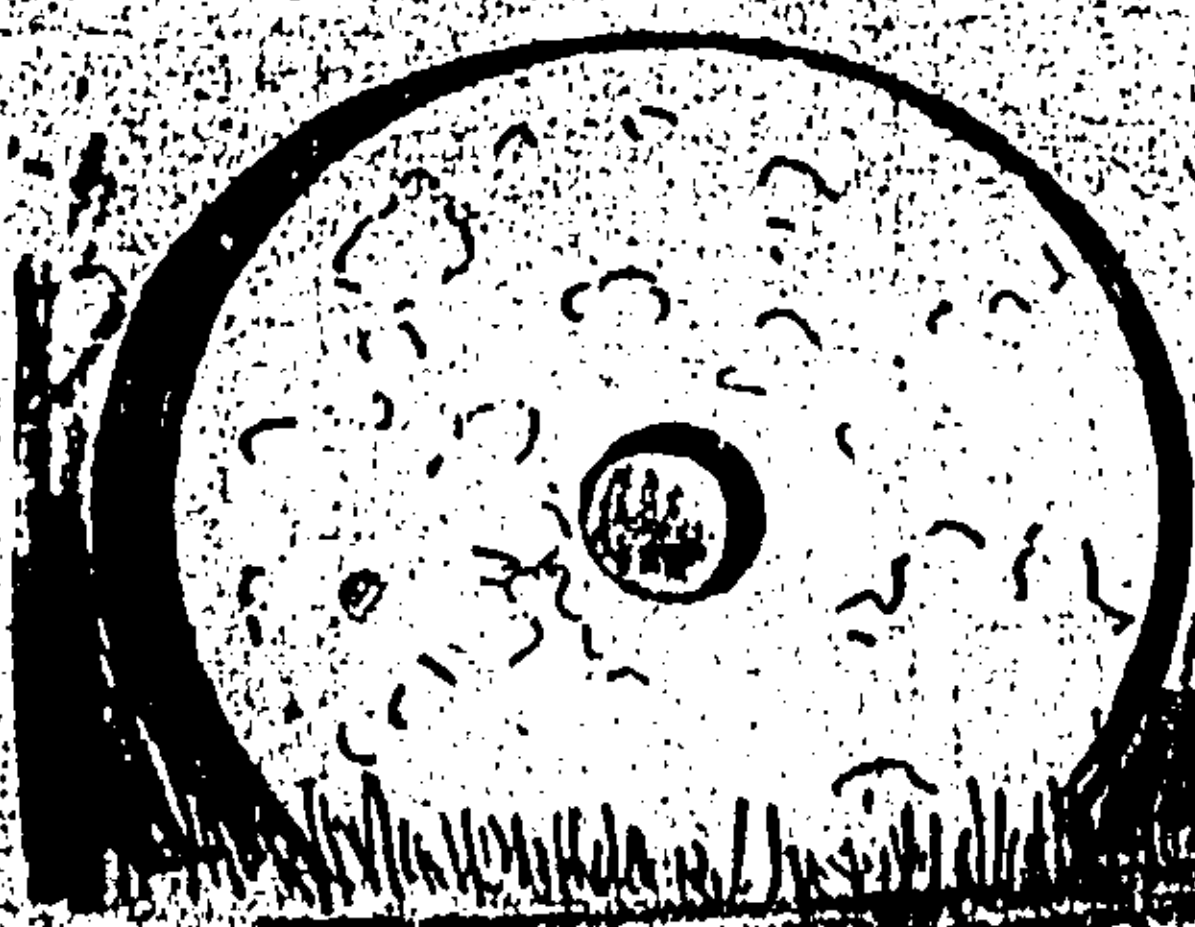
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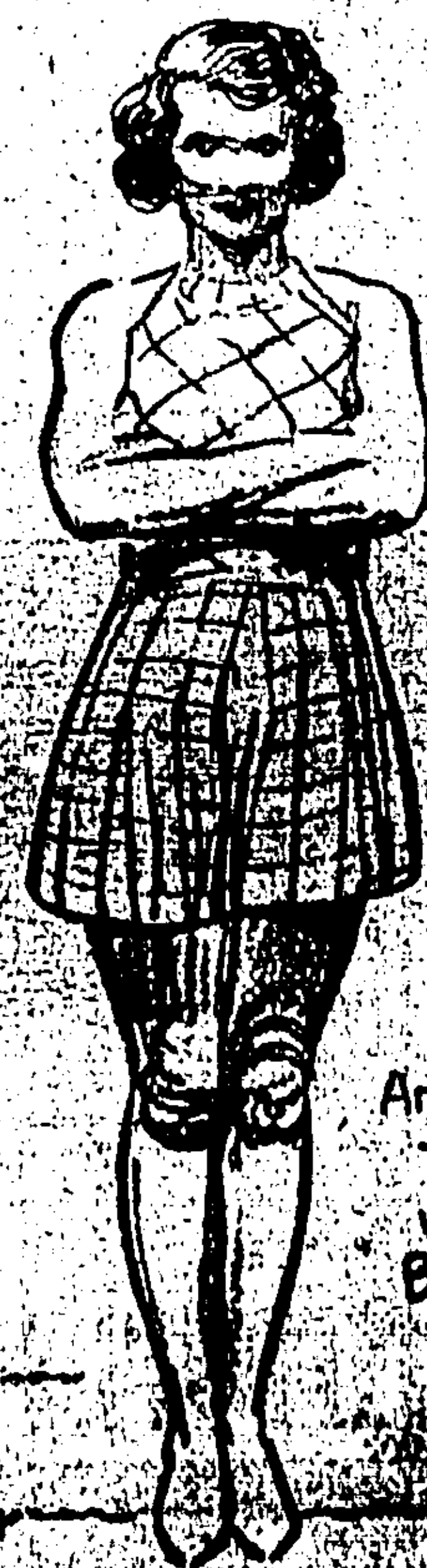
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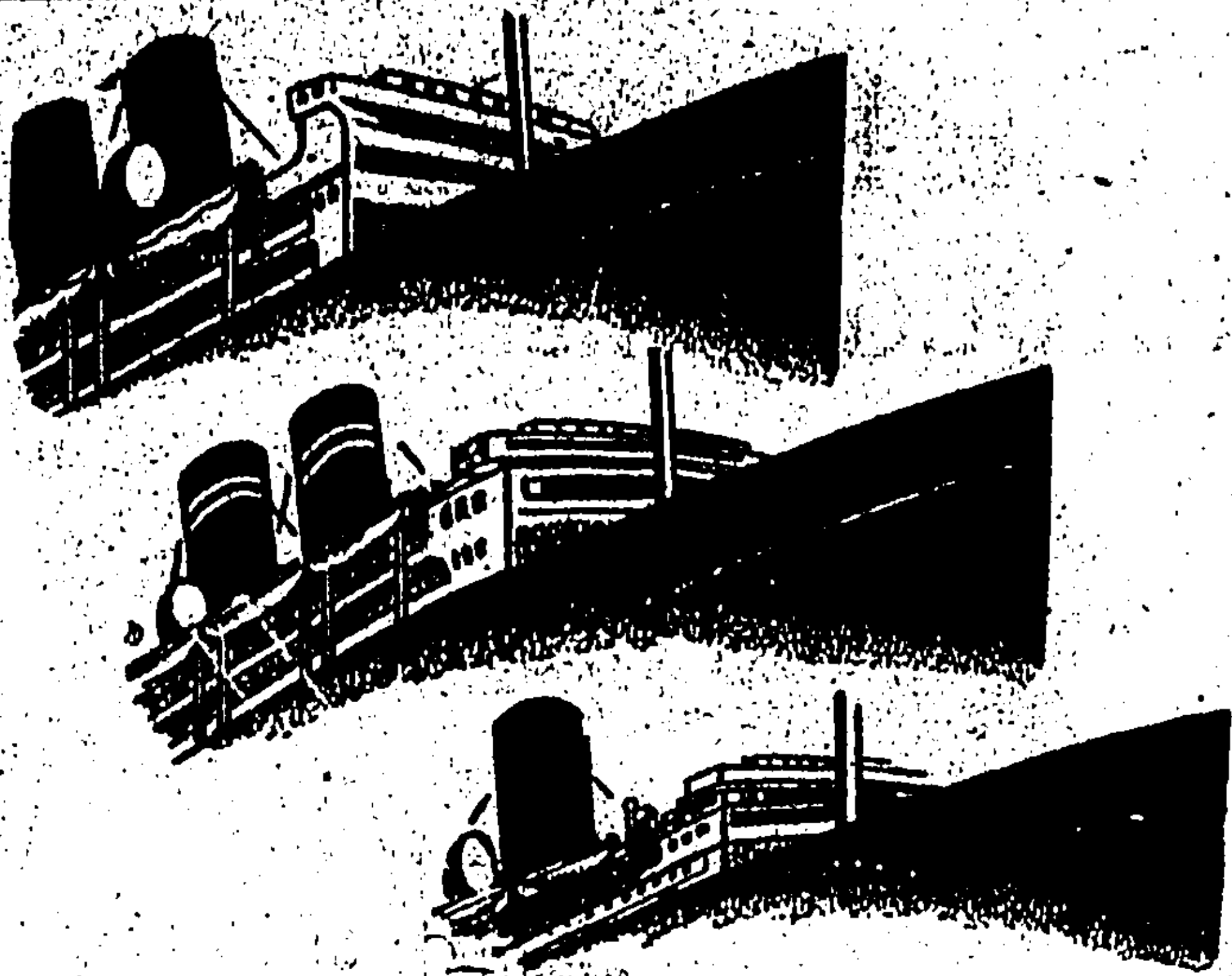
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Manila	.....	Eurymedon	.....	September 14.
Straits and Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)	London, 18th August and London Parcels—London date, 11th August.	Rajputana	.....	September 14.
Manila	.....	Emp. of Japan	.....	September 14.
Parcels from Calcutta and Straits	.....	Islami	.....	September 14.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia—London date 22nd August.	.....	Tourcoing	.....	September 14.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	.....	Kingyuan	.....	September 14.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 7th Sept.	.....	Imperial Airways Plane	.....	September 15.
Bangkok via Swatow	.....	Kweiyang	.....	September 15.
Shanghai and Amoy	.....	Shantung	.....	September 15.
Shanghai	.....	Glenshiel	.....	September 15.
Japan, Shanghai & Europe via Siberia (London date, 25th August).	.....	Chitra	.....	September 16.
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 10 Sept.	.....	Imperial Airways Plane	.....	September 16.

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<b>Wednesday</b>		
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<b>G.P.O. and K.P.O.</b>		
Reg.,	.....	Sept. 14, 4.30 p.m.
Ord.,	.....	Sept. 14, 5 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Haiyang	..... Wed., Sept. 14, 2.00 p.m.
*Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin	Norviken	..... Wed., Sept. 14, 2.30 p.m.
*Japan	Talma	..... Sept. 14, 5 p.m.
Saigon	Benwyvis	..... Sept. 14, 5 p.m.
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<b>Thursday</b>		
Samshui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	..... Sept. 15, 8.15 a.m.
Hoihow	Muinam	..... Sept. 15, 9 a.m.
Dairen	Ixon	..... Sept. 15, 9.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Rajputana	..... Sept. 15, 10.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	Tai Lee	..... Sept. 15, 11 a.m.
Swatow, *Shanghai and Tientsin	Tingsang	..... Sept. 12.30 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 22nd Sept.	Imperial Airways Plane	Wed., Sept. 15, K.P.O.
Reg.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5 p.m.
Ord.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5.30 p.m.
<b>G.P.O.</b>		
Reg.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5 p.m.
Ord.,	.....	Sept. 15, 7 p.m.
<b>Air Mail for Malaya and Australia by Imperial Airways Direct Service—due Sydney, 24th Sept.</b>		
Reg.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5 p.m.
Ord.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5.30 p.m.
<b>G.P.O.</b>		
Reg.,	.....	Sept. 15, 5 p.m.
Ord.,	.....	Sept. 15, 7 p.m.
<b>Friday</b>		
Manila	Bengloe	..... Sept. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Haiphong	Kwalsang	..... Sept. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	..... Sept. 16, 8.30 a.m.
Kongmoon	On Lee	..... Sept. 16, 9 a.m.
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Telfer stated that he was 26 years of age. He joined the Hong Kong Police Force in September 1936. Previously he had been in the Royal Scots Military Police and purchased his release prior to joining the police. He was promoted to Lance-Sergeant in September 1937 and in February was transferred to the Emergency Unit.

Sergeant McLeod, in charge of the Unit frequently gave orders as to where the Unit was to go on duty, but these orders were not definite, as he had the right to use his discretion.

On May 8, Sergeant McLeod mentioned casually in conversation that the Unit was to patrol the Kowloon City district. Sergeant McLeod wrote his instructions on a rough piece of paper which was later entered in the Duty List Book. The rough draft of the instructions was never signed by Sergeant McLeod.

Telfer continued that he entered the Duty List Book before going on duty in the early hours of May 9. He entered it during the afternoon of the previous day, writing "Blocking Streets in Kowloon City."

At 2 a.m. on May 9 he and the squad of eight Chinese went on duty, but did not proceed to Kowloon City but to Mong Kok Tsui and Yaumati Districts. Before and after reaching Temple Street searches were conducted.

He decided to proceed to Yaumati because Kowloon City was "rather quiet." Telfer added that he had made previous arrests in the Yaumati District and his sole object of going there was to "get" a case, to justify his patrol and show that he was working conscientiously.

It did not occur to him that he was doing any harm in going to Yaumati as he did not regard the instructions given to Block Streets in Kowloon City as a definite order. In fact, he was quite justified in

doing so.

On returning McLeod asked him at about 8 a.m. whether he had been to Kowloon City.

Mr. D'Almada: "Did you answer 'yes'?" "I said: 'No.' I've been to Mong Kok Tsui and Yaumati Districts."

"What did Sergeant McLeod say?" "He said that he had already made the entry in the morning reports the night before and that he did not want to alter it."

"What did you say?" "I replied that it did not matter, because I wanted to save him the trouble of making out another report."

Telfer continued that reports were usually made out the night before.

On May 11, at 9 a.m. he proceeded on Japanese Protection Patrol. This would take him and the squad all over Kowloon. In the course of the patrol, he and his men happened to be in Temple Street again. Telfer added that he was not given a list of Japanese residences, but he had some knowledge where they were located.

Telfer continued that when Inspector A. E. Carey and Chief Inspector Smith came on the scene, he and his men were searching suspects on the road. His object of posting a man in the rear street was because opium and heroin carriers would attempt to avoid passing the squad.

Telfer admitted that he was in Temple Street at about 3.30 a.m. on May 9, but denied that he and his men were engaged in the activities alleged by the Crown. He denied that he demanded money from anyone, and according to his knowledge no such demands were made by members of the squad. He also denied that persons were stopped from entering the Mahjong Schools and that anyone was assaulted by him or his men. Telfer denied further that he had any conversations with anyone other than his own men.

Cross-examined, Telfer replied that he was not aware that numerous larcenies had been committed in the Kowloon City District and that was why he was instructed for "Blocking Streets Duty" on May 8. He admitted that if that was the reason, the duty of blocking streets in Kowloon City would be an important duty.

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## French Comment On Hitler Speech

Paris, To-day.

The Fuehrer's speech at Nuremberg is the subject of a commentary by the French Radio Agency and apparently coming from Quai d'Orsay circles.

Most important of all it is declared the Fuehrer made no brutal decision which would have increased the international tension and ruined any remaining hopes of effecting a peaceable solution to the Czecho-Slovak problem.

The German Chancellor certainly uttered threats about which one can have no illusions but they do not seem to constitute any immediate danger.

Paris and London, continues the commentary, both hope that the Fuehrer will not translate his words into deeds, the consequences of which could never be made good again. The problem now is whether it is possible to allow the danger of a general conflagration to threaten Europe so long.

Hitler is evidently trying to localise the German-Czech conflict but he must realise that such a localisation is morally and materially impossible.

### NO THREATS

The darkest aspect of the situation was touched upon when the Fuehrer declared that a great Power could not yield twice as Hitler was apparently not satisfied with the statement of the French Premier, M. Daladier, in which the latter acknowledged the German contribution to a peaceable settlement of the incidents on May 21. Nobody entertains a thought of forcing Germany to yield, continues the Radio Agency, and nobody would look on it in the light of Germany having yielded if she gave the situation wise consideration dictated by human feelings which banish the spectre of another and still more catastrophic upheaval.

### BRIDGES NOT DESTROYED

Apart from some caustic passages in the speech, the Fuehrer does not appear to have destroyed the bridge

to a pacific solution of the Czecho-Slovak problem and in this respect Hitler seems to have given due consideration to the tragic consequences of an employment of force not only for Germany but also for the rest of Europe whereby all roads remain open for a reasonable negotiation through which the prestige of all nations and maintenance of peace would be assured.—Trans-Ocean.

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## IRAQ R.A.F.

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces the appointment of Air Vice-Marshal J. H. S. Tyssen to be Air Officer Commanding British Forces in Iraq with effect from 20th September.—British Wireless.



# CAREER OF GREAT DANISH SWIMMER

## RAGNHILD HVEGER

### Twelve World's Records And Only 18 Years Old

SWIMMERS know little about Miss Ragnhild Tove Hveger, the great Danish swimmer, whose exploits have filtered through the cables at odd times, mainly to announce that she has made another world's record. Recently she won the 100 metres free-style championship of Europe in the record time of 1m. 6 2-5s.

In the following article by N. Jagd (President of the Danish Swimming Council) from "The U.S.A. Amateur Athlete," there is some highly interesting information.

Ragnhild Hveger was born in Nyborg on December 10, 1920. During her first years at school she showed one great interest—to be on the beach and splash in the water, and after her school hours she passed her spare time in the municipal swimming pool in Elsinore.

Part of the bath was reserved for the Elsinore Swimming Club and the board and members of the club soon noticed this little girl who was a daily guest on the beach, and who had—apparently without any instruction—an excellent grip of crawl swimming.

With her parents' sanction she thereafter became a member of the Elsinore Swimming Club, and her teachers there soon became aware of the great possibilities this little exceptionally slender girl had in her.

#### Best In The Club After A Few Weeks

She took part in the instruction, and a few weeks after becoming a member she was the best crawl-swimmer among the juniors of her club, and this essentially because of

her almost perfect and extremely effective leg movements.

The Elsinore Swimming Club was, of course, highly pleased with this addition to their ranks and chose her to represent the club in a match between it and two clubs in Helsingfors (Sweden) in 1933. This was her first start in competitive swimming, and she won with ease the 50 metres freestyle for girls under 14 in 36.4sec., a surprising time.

Furthermore, she took part in the senior teams' match over 450 metres and secured second place for the club by her sprint finish.

After having competed in some matches the same summer, where swimmers from Copenhagen also took part, the Press in that city took notice of her, and this resulted in an invitation to a match in Copenhagen where she clearly won

over the fastest girls of her own not suit this "child of nature," age in Copenhagen, thereby probably also in Denmark.

No wonder the Press began to write about the small provincial girl. "This strange boy-girl from Elsinore, who moved like a fish in the water," and her career had thus really begun.

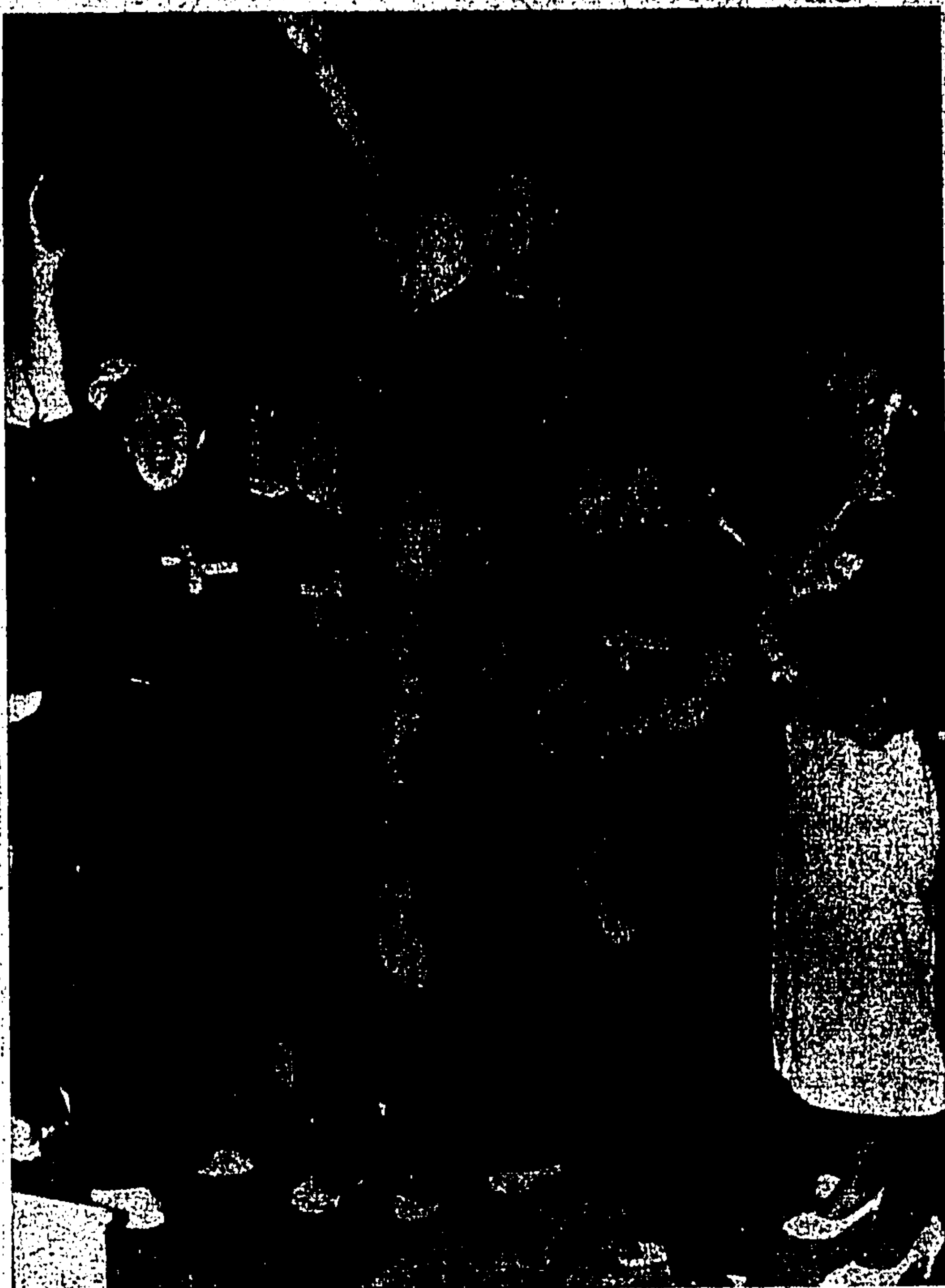
After having taken part in several galas in 1934 and having won most of the races, Ragnhild Hveger got permission to train in the enclosed swimming pool in Copenhagen. Her teacher was Miss Grethe Friergaard from "Handelsstandens Gymnastikforening," who had taken an interest in Ragnhild after she had twice taken part in contests between H. G. and the champions of Zealand.

This instruction soon influenced Ragnhild's swimming, style, and technique, which were much improved. At this time she won the silver brooch of Danish Swimming—and Life-Saving Association—for a 100 metres crawl in 1min. 22.4sec. She now rapidly improved her times.

#### Astonished Fans By Her Results

The year after—in 1935—she went on her first great continental tour—Czechoslovakia and Austria. Everywhere she astonished swimming fans by her results which were out of all proportion to her size.

She won several championships for Zealand, but utterly amazed the Danish sports people by beating all the lady swimmers in July, and thereby winning her first Danish championship with the following result:—400m. crawl in 5.58.1. It was at the short distances did



Ragnhild Hveger, Denmark's golden-haired wonder swimmer, staged a rousing finale when she outclassed the pick of Europe in the last event of the European Swimming Championships, which were held at the Empire Pool, Wembley. It was the ladies' 400 Metres free-style, in which the record was broken in a time of 5 minutes 9 seconds, clipping the existing time by a full 3 seconds. Photograph shows the world-breaker being chaired by her teammates after her remarkable performance in the 400 Metres. (Copyright, Fox, by Air Mail).

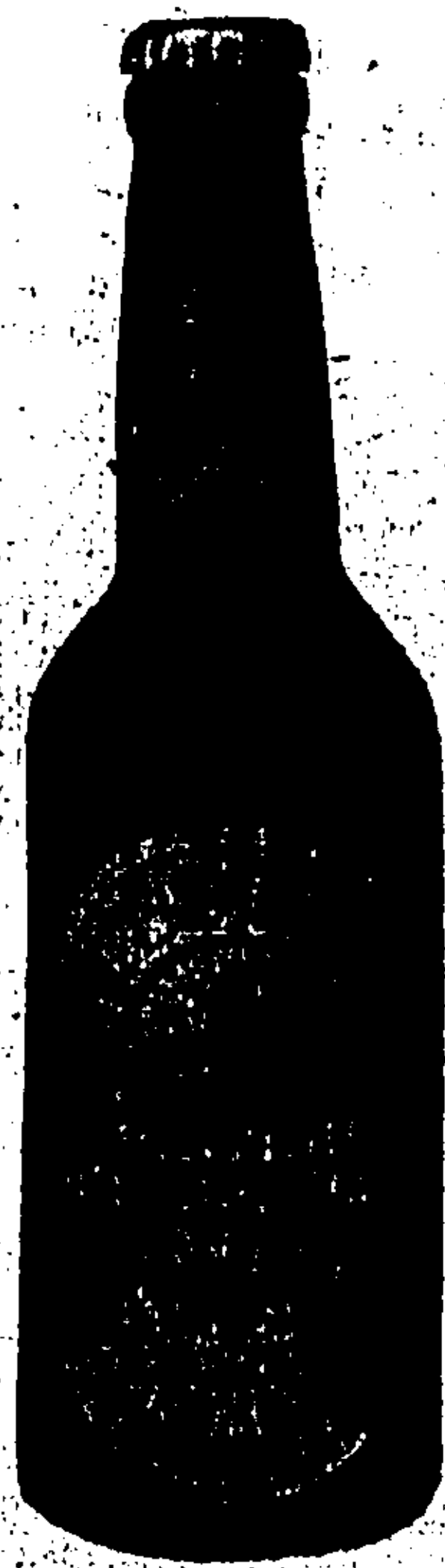
This great improvement of the times was continued, and the following winter she trained with Miss Oeborg Paul-Petersen, who has trained the best Danish swimmers, and with this exceptional material she also succeeded in getting Ragnhild Hveger into absolute elite class over distances from 200m. and up.

It would take too long to go over details regarding her development into a swimmer of world rank, and it must, therefore, only be mentioned that at this time she also began to take up back-stroke, with the result that—in her first contest during a gala at Göteborg—she won over the Swedish champion, so it was evident that this kind of swimming also came easily to her—being as agile as a cat.

#### Had Won 205 Races Up To January

The results of these last years are known all over the world and it is therefore sufficient to mention that during the time Ragnhild Hveger has been an active swimmer she has, up to January 1, 1938, taken part in 264 races and won 205 first places, 39 second places, and 13 third places.

A cold prevented her from being in top form during the Olympic Games in Berlin in 1936, and thus from winning the Olympic Gold Medal in 400m. freestyle, which was won by Rie Mastenbroek (Holland), who was, however, severely beaten when these champions met in Elsinore the summer after, in 200 metres, where Mastenbroek was (Continued on Page 19)



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## CAREER OF GREAT DANISH SWIMMER

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about 10 metres behind the winner. Of championships Ragnhild Hveger has in the same period won: five Scandinavian, six Danish, and ten for Zealand, and put up 18 world records and 29 Danish records, of which many are also the European records.

### Her Records

Lastly, her 12 world records must be mentioned:—

300m. crawl—		
Copenhagen .....	5/3/37	3 50.1
400m. crawl—London	13/8/38	5 9.0
440yds. crawl—		
Copenhagen .....	12/12/37	5 12.8
500yds. crawl—Aarhus	31/8/37	5 57.9
500m. crawl—		
Copenhagen .....	14/6/36	6 45.7
800m. crawl—		
Copenhagen .....	3/7/36	11 11.7
850yds. crawl—		
Stockholm .....	28/2/37	11 16.1
1000m. crawl—		
Stockholm .....	28/2/37	14 12.3
150yds. backstroke—		
London .....	25/9/37	1 49.8
200m. backstroke—		
Aarhus .....	14/2/37	2 41.3
400m. backstroke—		
Copenhagen .....	4/4/37	5 44.5
200m. crawl—Aarhus	11/9/38	2 21.7

## HARDCOURT TENNIS

Rain once again washed out the Hardcourt Tennis Singles Championship matches at the United Services Recreation Club yesterday, and a re-arrangement of the schedule has been made necessary.

Yesterday's fixtures will be played to-day and the semi-finals and finals, which were fixed for to-day, to-morrow, Saturday and Sunday, will be played on dates to be announced later.

To-day's matches, therefore, will be:

### SINGLES

A. E. P. Guest v. S. A. Rumjahn;  
S. A. Gray v. Tsui Yun-pui; Tsui Wai-pui v. H. D. Rumjahn.

### DOUBLES

E. C. Fincher and A. V. Remedios  
v. G. Choa and O. Rumjahn.

## AMERICAN AMATEUR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP

### Gus Moreland Leads Qualifiers

Oakmont, Penns. To-day.

Gus Moreland, the former Walker Cup player, with an aggregate of 146, which included a brilliant second round of 70, now leads the qualifiers in the American Amateur Golf Championship, which commenced yesterday.

The second place is shared by Willie Turnesa, Marvin Ward and Richard Chapman with an aggregate of 148.

The British Amateur Champion, and United States Walker Cup player, Charles Yates, of Atlanta, is joint ninth with a score of 152.

The non-qualifiers include the American professional tennis player and former Wimbledon champion, H. Ellsworth Vines, and both British entrants, L. A. Torrance and General A. C. Critchley, winner of the recent Belgium and German Amateur Championships.—Reuter.



Excellent action studies from the Colony Diving Championship showing three of the divers going through their performances. At the left is Pte. Nicholls (Army) just rising off the board for his running plain header forward, while at the right Chen Bun-chih, who was runner-up to L. Roza-Pereira for the title, is in the initial stages of his Mollberg. Bottom right shows Stanley Lee performing his back Pike dive. ("Mail" photos).

## LOCKE'S PUTTING TOO GOOD FOR PADGHAM

### TWO UP IN 36 HOLES MATCH

(By GEORGE GREENWOOD)

London, August 15.

Bobby Locke, the young South African champion, beat Alfred Padgham two up in the 36 holes £200 challenge match at Selsdon Park, Sanderstead, yesterday.

Locke, whose play was of the most impressive character, had a score of 67 in each round. He drove great distances, but his approaching and putting were the most conspicuous features of his game.

It was not until the 34th hole that Locke took the lead for the first time. Here he holed a putt of 12 feet for a birdie three and then clinched the match with another birdie three at the 18th, where he holed from 10 yards.

This week Locke sails for Australia to undertake a playing tour and hopes to return to England next year, when he will challenge Henry Cotton.

The first round finished all square, Locke having a score of 67 to Padgham's 68. Bogy of the course is 75. The crowd numbered about 2,000, many of whom had little idea of the etiquette ruling at golf matches. The spectators ran, jostled the players, and crowded the greens to such an extent that few of the people could see what was happening.

### NO LOITERING

Even so, the players completed the round in 2 hrs. 35 mins., a fact indicating that there was no loitering. On this occasion a charge against Locke of wasting time could in no way be substantiated; indeed, he played the shots as quickly as Padgham, who could never be accused of slowness.

After being one down, the South African squared the match with a remarkable three at the 10th, a hole of 610 yards. He hit a lovely spoon shot six feet from the flag, but was not required to hole out as Padgham with his third shot was in trouble in the trunk of a tree.

### PADGHAM TWO UP

Winning the 18th in four and the next, a hole of 485 yards, in three, Padgham became two up.—Returning

to the attack, Locke with perfect approach shots won the 16th and 17th, each in three to square. As an exhibition of scientific shot-making it was all very entertaining.

Padgham won the first hole in the second round and kept his lead until the 12th, where he unaccountably missed a putt of less than a yard.

Padgham was not given another chance for Locke finished the last six holes in 4, 4, 3, 3, 4, 3, and won two of them. Padgham's score for the second round was 69.

## LOWER PLAY-LINE PROPOSAL

### Opposition From Club Players

London, August 17.

It is by no means certain that the suggested lowering of the play-line from 19in to 17in, put forward by the executive committee of the Squash Rackets Association, and chiefly fathered by the chairman, Capt. J. E. Palmer-Tomkinson, will go through without considerable opposition at the extraordinary general meeting to be held on September 18.

Opposition to the proposal is hardening Col. A. H. C. Kearsey, one of the pioneers of squash rackets, voiced the objections of a large number of club players and he is receiving substantial support.

Squash, argues the ordinary club player, is a perfectly good game as it stands and fulfils the needs of the average person. Any alterations really only concern the super-player and do not interest the thousands who play for fun and exercise.

This continual tinkering with the rules has a disturbing effect not only at home but abroad as well. Holland, France, Belgium, Denmark and Sweden are all building clubs as fast they can. They look to this country for a lead in the rules of the game and dimensions of the court and they do not look like getting much continuity of rules from the parent body.

Apart from everything else, the lowering of the play-line will entail considerable cost everywhere except in America, where the play-line is 17in. To do the job properly will cost between four or five pounds per court, and as there are over 1,500 courts in this country alone, something like £7,000 will be involved.

## HEARTS WIN AWAY

London, To-day.

Three matches were played in the First Division of the Scottish League yesterday, results as cabled by Reuter being:

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St. Mirren	2	Queen's Park	1

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# INDIAN SOCCER SIDE 'DOWN UNDER'

## T. DOBSON'S RECORD 65 AT FORFAR

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(By AIR MAIL)

Glasgow, September 1.

Except for a heavy shower of rain, ideal conditions prevailed at Forfar yesterday, where the Scottish professionals took part in the qualifying stages of the "News of the World" £1250 tournament.

Tom Dobson, East Renfrew, led the field with cards of 70 and 65. His record-breaking card in the afternoon lowered the professional record by three strokes. He might have been a couple of strokes better but for dropping a stroke at the fifteenth, where his second was off the line, and again at the home green, where his putt for a 3 sat on the lip.



His figures were:—

Out—4 4 4 3 4 3 4 4 3=33

In—3 3 4 3 3 5 3 4 4=32

James Lawson, the Forfar professional, led the morning field with a fine 69, but in the afternoon was inclined to wander off the line, and ran up a number of 5s in a round of 77, which put him out of the running. Mark Seymour and H. B. Watt, Royal Burgess, seemed set to lower the record when, in their afternoon rounds, they both reached the turn in 32. On the homeward journey, however, slack shots resulted in trouble and dropped strokes, and neither managed to qualify.

A. Thorburn, Peebles, in his first round, played his second at the sixth to the wrong green, and ran up a 6. The incident undoubtedly upset him, and affected his play.

## Play Bare-Footed And Prefer Dry Grounds

## Hungary Eager To Make Tour

(By A. J. BOYD)

Sydney, August 18.

By the Orient Liner, Otranto, the Indian soccer team, which will tour Australia, arrived at Fremantle on Tuesday. Three players remained in Calcutta to play in a final and will arrive two weeks later. The tourists were all well.

They left Perth, after a motor tour of the city, by the Trans-Australian railway for Adelaide, and next Saturday they are due to make their debut against South Australia, at Hindmarsh Oval.

In a chat the players said they were glad they didn't arrive earlier. Dry grounds were their delight, as they played bare-footed.

"When we strike wet patches we shall wear boots," they said. "But they are a hindrance to our play."

Their showing in Adelaide will have a most important bearing on the tour. If they "win in a walk" they will be tipped by many people to extend the cream in the Eastern States. Let's hope the weather is fine and the ground firm.

On a wet pitch and under wintry conditions the Indians will be as much at home as a Jew in Berlin.

### IMPORTANT MATCHES

The following Tuesday the tourists meet Victoria at Melbourne Cricket Ground. They are due to arrive in Sydney the following morning.

Their headquarters in Sydney will be the New Oriental Hotel, King's Cross, where the Indian hockey team was quartered last season.

The A.S.F.A. have made a happy choice, in my opinion. I lived there for years. The hotel is within easy reach of the Show Ground, and if manager Gupta and his team desire a little night life, it's literally "laid on" in the vicinity.

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First game in Sydney is listed for Saturday week at the Show Ground where all the important matches in Sydney will be played.

### THE SHOW GROUND

Provided the playing area is properly prepared the Indians should have no complaints about the Show Ground, but it was a long way from being perfect when the English professional team played there 14 years ago. Secretary Tom Hastie, should see that the heavy roller works overtime on the pitch, and that it is properly marked out.

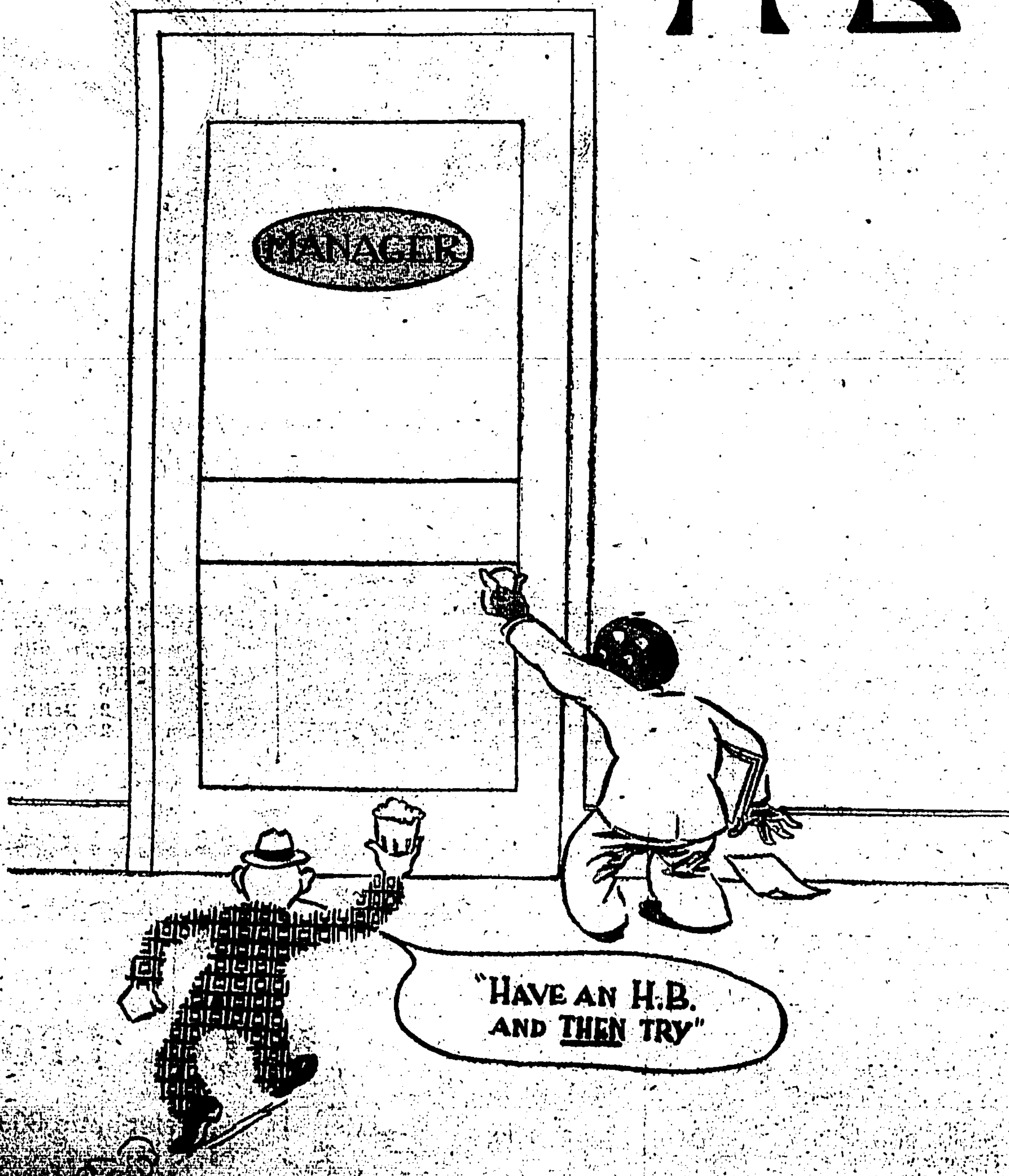
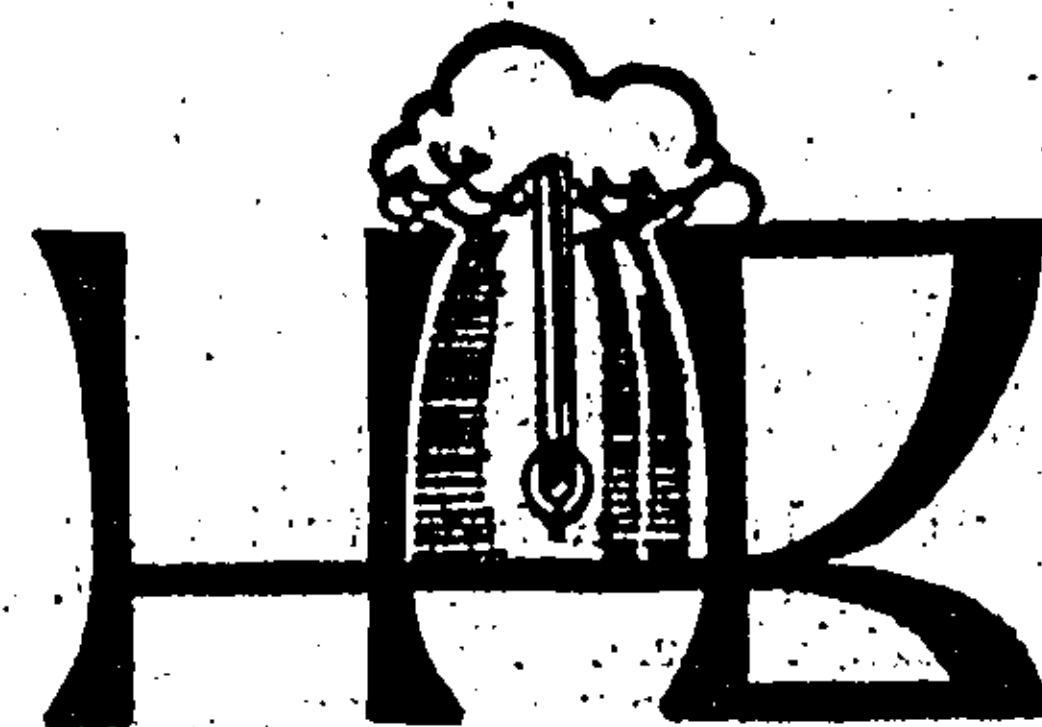
Thousands of people who see football matches staged under the best possible conditions by other codes are likely to turn up at the Indian matches, and it is up to our offsideers to see that the paying public are not disappointed.

### HUNGARIANS KEEN TO COME

Nine out of 10 Soccer fans know that there is little between British and Continental playing standards these days. Therefore, it was good to get an air mail yesterday from Mr. Fred Robertson, of Sydney, saying that the Hungarians are most anxious to tour Australia next season.

"They are pros," writes Mr. Robertson, "and very forceful players. I have sent the proposition they made on to Syd. Storey. Since then they have written me in London and are sending a representative over here for another chat.

"If we could get a team on to the Continent in 1940, matches could be arranged against Hungary, Switzerland, France and Belgium. They all promised me this."



"HAVE AN H.B.  
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# The Phillips--Doyle Fight

## "Promoter Expects Big Gate"

### Phillips Anxious To Go To America

(By AIR MAIL)

"A gate" amounting to £13,000 is expected at the British heavy-weight eliminating championship fight between Eddie Phillips and Jack Doyle, at Harringay, London, on September 13. Mr. Sydney Hulls, promoter, said yesterday that bookings for the fight had been heavy since the match was announced, and in the event of the remaining tickets being sold the gate would be one of the biggest for an indoor fight in recent years.

### TELFER GIVES EVIDENCE IN EXTORTION TRIAL

(Continued from Page 16)

Mr. Whyatt: "Is not then contrary to discipline to neglect an important duty?"—"I did not receive a definite order."

Telfer explained that Sergeant McLeod used to alter the orders during the day and that he did not regard any orders given him by McLeod as definite orders to be carried out. He would not class instructions written by McLeod in the Duty List as an order, even if the List was posted on the board, as McLeod was in the habit of making alterations.

Telfer declined to answer when asked under what circumstances he would regard instructions given by McLeod as a binding order. He said that McLeod was as "changeable as the weather."

Telfer added that the reason why he did not mention to Mr. Marks A. S. P. the real facts was to protect McLeod.

Between McLeod and himself, he was entitled to go to Yaumati in spite of the instructions to go to Kowloon City.

Mr. Whyatt: "Between the Commissioner and yourself, were you entitled to go to Yaumati?"—"No." "When did you know this?"—"I should always have known." "Did you know that going to Yaumati would get you into trouble with the Commissioner?"—"The Commissioner would not know as McLeod would have altered the report if I had made an arrest in that district."

"Are you asking the Jury to regard McLeod as a liar?"—"Yes."

Telfer admitted that on May 9 and May 11, he consistently broke the rules concerning instructions from Superintendent Calthrop in connection with search pickets and Japanese protection patrols.

Telfer alleged that all crown witnesses were all liars. They had conspired to frame him. He suggested that the motive resulted from the presence of his squad outside the mahjong schools which most probably affected the business of the establishments. He could suggest other motives but refrained from doing so, owing to lack of evidence. His mentality has been underestimated for if he wanted to extort money, he would not choose a place so near the Yaumati Police Station.

The case is continuing.

Phillips, who is training at High Beach, Loughton (Essex), is having a break from training at the end of this week. He is going to Brighton for two days. Since he began his preparation two of his sparring partners have left him, and arrangements are being made for other heavy-weights to join the gymnasium.

Phillips spoke to a reporter yesterday regarding his plans following the contest. "I am anxious to go to America," he said, "and I expect to leave for the States a couple of days after the fight with Doyle." Phillips added that he will weigh about 14 stone when he faces Doyle.

"I am ready to take the ring now, and feel better than I have ever done. I have never seen Doyle in a fight, but I believe that I can beat him by a knockout."

Doyle, who to-morrow will celebrate his 25th birthday, is training at Slough.



### AUSTRALIANS BEATEN

Leveson-Gower XI's 10 Wickets Win

Scarborough, To-day.

Mr. H. D. G. Leveson-Gower's eleven had the distinction yesterday of being the first side outside of the England Test XI, to beat the Australians, winning by 10 wickets.

The Australians only managed to score 102 in their second venture at the wicket, W. A. Brown carrying his bat for 38, and Mr. Leveson-Gower's eleven scored the required runs for victory without loss.

Australians: 308 (S. J. McCabe 58, S. Barnes 90, M. G. Waite 77, M. S. Nichols 6 for 118), and 102 (W. A. Brown 38 not out, J. H. Fingleton 20, C. L. Badcock 0, S. J. McCabe 1, S. Barnes 1; Bowes 5 for 42). Mr. Leveson-Gower's XI: 368 for 8 dec. (Hardstaff 108, Hutton 73, Leyland 51, W. J. O'Reilly 4 for 75) and 46 for 0.

### A. G. CHIPPERFIELD'S PROGRESS

A. G. Chipperfield, the Australian cricketer who recently underwent an operation for appendicitis, expects to leave the Dundee nursing home to-day. He is still weak, and is to spend a few days with his friends before journeying south.

### RANGERS FIVE GOALS

Glasgow, Aug. 27.

It was an easy victory for Rangers against St Mirren at Paisley, although they hardly deserved to win by 5-1. The Ibrox men had a lead of three goals at the interval, and there is no doubt but that during the first half they were well ahead of St. Mirren in every department. Thornton, McPhail, and Main had the Rangers' goals. The Paisley defenders never seemed to position themselves properly to counter the man in possession and the shots went flying past goal-keeper Rennie.

With Venters and Main injured

in the second half it seemed for a time that Saints would pull Rangers in, and this view was strengthened when Knox counted for St. Mirren from a penalty kick. The weakened right winger, however, showed a bit of life as the game progressed, and Saints were back again at the defending game, but they were lax in their movements, and in the closing minutes Thornton and Main scored again. Rangers' display, however, was more due to St Mirren's weakness than their own strength.

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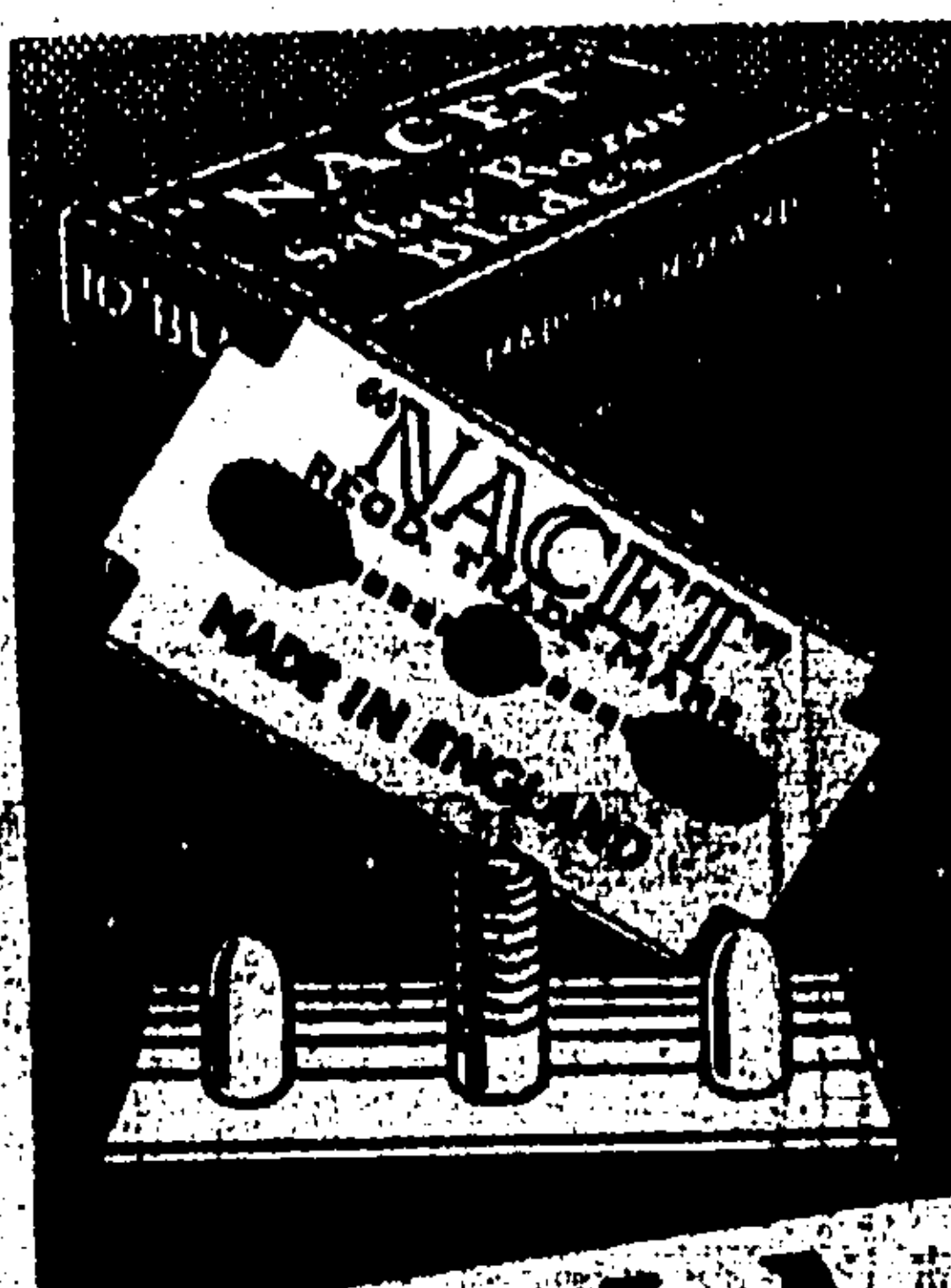
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## RAIN PROBABLE

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone remains stationary over North China; and continues to increase in intensity. The trough of relatively low pressure persists between Indo-China and the Carolines, and a depression is indicated over the Gulf of Tongking. Forecast:—N. E. winds, fresh; cloudy probably some rain.

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